

Eban says Israel moved from excess self-confidence to unjustified melancholy

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
CJN Associate Editor

TORONTO — From a position of possibly excessive self-confidence prior to the Yom Kippur War, Israel had moved to a melancholy condition not justified by an objective understanding of the country's conditions and prospects, Abba Eban said in Toronto last week.

Eighteen months after the war, he found the Arabs celebrating its defeat and Israel mourning its victory. The former Israel foreign minister told 450 persons at the gala inaugural dinner of the Canadian Friends of Haifa University at the Four Seasons Sheraton last week.

"The Arabs' memory is still obsessed with the three days of success and oblivious of its eventual defeat; Israel's mind is totally anchored in the memory of the danger and anguish of the first three days and obstinately forgetful of her ultimate victory."

Eban declared the results of another Arab-Israeli military conflict would be the same as the Yom Kippur War "minus the advantages of initiative and surprise which the Arabs will never have again." That explains their disposition to contemplate the diplomatic arena, he added.

Proving himself again to be one of the finest orators in the English language, Eban was one of three featured speakers at the black-tie event. Others were Eliezer Rafaili, Haifa University president, and Zaidan Atashi, Israel consul in New York.

Federal Urban Affairs Minister Barnett Danson, Ontario Secretary for Resources Development Allan Grossman and Metro Chairman Paul Godfrey brought greetings from their respective governments. Ray D. Wolfe, president of the Canadian Friends of Haifa University, chaired the dinner.

In his 50-minute address, Eban made no specific mention of Canada although he did refer to North America on several occasions. He lavished praise on the U.S. — "never in the past 3,000 years has the Jewish people had such a constant and faithful partner as the U.S."

Referring to the last 18 months as "the golden period" of Israeli-U.S. relations, he noted that Israel is militarily stronger than the Arabs, he cautioned that this was only one of the elements in the balance of power. "In



Abba Eban makes a point during his 50-minute address to the Canadian Friends of Haifa University at its inaugural dinner last week. Representatives of the three levels of government were on hand to greet the former Israel foreign minister. (Gadi Hoz photo)

all non-military aspects of the balance of power, there has been a sensational intensification and consciousness of Arab power," he declared.

"The essence of Israel's survival lies in its quality and spirit... We must expand via science, higher education, culture and faith... Spirit can compensate for inferiority of matter, quality can compensate for quantity."

Discussing Arab oil, he talked bitterly of friendships "that wither away and dwindle at the first whiff of petroleum." He said a great part of Africa and Europe yielded to extortion and expediency.

Eban, a member of the Knesset and lecturer at Columbia University and Haifa U., advised countries to resist extortion by being less dependent on Arab oil. "Does America want to celebrate its 200th anniversary next year as a colony of Abu Dhabi and Kuwait?" he asked.

"With all the glut of privileges and advantages the Arabs possess today, they present themselves to the world as the aggrieved underdog of history," he continued. His right finger stabbing high into the air, Eban declared: "No other people has ever achieved with such little sacrifice so large a measure of total ambition in so short a time."

Eban spent a great deal of his speech discussing Middle East peace prospects.

"The path to conciliation can only lie along the lines of a fundamental intellectual revision by the Arab lea-

ders... Only when they become attuned to the tenacity and passion of the Israelis' roots in the Mideast, will the paths of conciliation come open."

Zaidan Atashi, Israel's first non-Jew in her diplomatic service, is a graduate of Haifa University. Eban appointed the Druze official to his position.

In his short address, Atashi pointed out half the Arabs currently studying at Israeli universities are at Haifa U. It has an Arab-Jewish Centre which "can show co-existence, tolerance, recognition

and mutual respect is not only a dream, but a reality."

Haifa President Rafaili told the audience his institution has opened six graduate school consultancies in development towns in the north.

The inaugural event of the Canadian Friends was somewhat marred when after the dinner, people had to wait as long as 40 minutes to get their coats from the two girls serving the more than 400 people there. While waiting a young man fainted and was treated on the spot.

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Egypt to blame, Rabin tells Knesset

JERUSALEM —

Israel should not take the risks involved in withdrawing from its Sinai defence lines because of Egypt's unwillingness to commit herself to any long-term agreement, Premier Rabin said this week.

He told the Knesset, following the breakdown of the Kissinger peace mission, that Israel had been prepared to take many risks on condition that this would ensure progress, however limited, towards peace.

"From the very beginning we saw... that each step must produce some movement towards peace," Rabin said. "Unfortunately, this is not what the Egyptians had in mind."

Rabin disclosed Israel offered to give up the Abu Rodeis oilfields and part of the Mitla and Gidi passes to Egypt for "a commitment to refrain from war-like acts," and that the agreement be enforced for a long period of years to test Egypt's peaceful intentions.

Egypt's reply to the proposals were negative or inadequate, said Rabin.

The Knesset overwhelmingly voted (92-4) confidence in the government for its stand during the Kissinger mission.

The major element in the discussions with Kissinger was to bring about a political change between Egypt and Israel. The crux was whether Egypt was willing to move from direct war to peace.

Israel offered to move towards peace by a step by step approach, but Egypt refused to announce its interest in a non-belligerency pact, said Rabin.

"We wanted the agreement to have a duration that would allow tension to ease, to create conditions that positive processes will start in the directions of peace, even though they might be very limited," Rabin told a news conference.

"We couldn't accept the Egyptian position that basically wanted what we offered for the end of the state of war for something which is much less, that does not contain any element of a beginning of a real peacemaking progress."

Israel was ready to do everything for peace, including reconvening the Geneva Conference, he said. He repeated that his country's readiness for an interim agreement with Egypt remains unchanged.

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Begin to open Bonds campaign

TORONTO —

Menachem Begin, leader of the Likud opposition party in Israel's Knesset, and a legendary figure in the struggle to achieve an independent State of Israel, will fly to Toronto on April 10th to be the guest speaker at the "Shomer Israel Dinner" being held at Beth Tikvah Congregation that evening.

"The dinner will be the opening event for the 1975 State of Israel Bond Campaign in Toronto, and inaugurates as well the 25th anniversary year since the founding of Israel Bonds by David Ben Gurion and world Jewish leaders," stated Herb Green, general campaign chairman, and Milton Rusnik, president of Beth Tikvah Congregation. "Our community is privileged indeed to have with us at this historic dinner one of Israel's most eloquent spokesmen in the person of Menachem Begin."

Menachem Begin has served throughout the past two

decades as a member of the all-important Knesset Committee on Foreign Affairs and Security. He was a member of the Israel Cabinet until five years ago when he left to become the spokesman for the loyal opposition. He is regarded by all as a leader who "stood literally in the front lines of our battle for nationhood," and has played a major role in the political life of the nation ever since independence was achieved.

"The Shomer Israel program in the Israel Bond campaign is the central focus of efforts to enroll every Jewish family as a purchaser of at least \$1,000 in State of Israel Bonds in 1975, to help bolster Israel's battered economy while the search for peace goes on," Herb Green declared. "Shomer Israel is the keystone of this year's intensified campaign throughout our community, as it is in every congregation and organization involved in the bond effort in every city on the continent."

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The Toronto YM-YWHA building campaign committee under the chairmanship of Harold Green (sitting centre) work on expansion of the northern building of the 'Y'. Others on committee are (standing) Hersh Fogel, Gerry Granek, and Julius Hanson. Sitting are Harry Hyde (left) and Alex Tobias.

Planning new wings

Committee's ingenuity helps 'Y'

By LOUISE CORNBUM

TORONTO —

Because inflation was defeated by the ingenuity of a dedicated committee, Toronto will have the largest YM-YWHA building in North America.

For a while the situation seemed hopeless. When projected costs soared from the \$5 million budgeted in 1972 to \$8 million in 1973, the new 'Y' seemed doomed. The man who made it possible to keep the dream alive was Harold Green.

Four years ago when the hope for a cultural arts centre and physical education wing for the Northern 'Y' was revived after a 10 year delay due to lack of funds, Green was asked to organize and accept the chairmanship of the building committee.

An executive of Greenwin Construction, Green has been trained in every facet of creating functional buildings. Although this undertaking

could hardly be viewed in the light of a diversion from his daily routine, he was willing to assume the additional responsibility.

At this point, none of the needs of the 'Y' had been clarified. Green asked that a series of task forces be set up to study each of the areas requiring accommodation. The task force groups consisted of community leaders in the arts and in physical education, as well as member-users. Their findings were analyzed so that a space budget could be co-ordinated by Green's committee.

Thanks both to Green's powers of persuasion and their own sense of responsibility, Green's committee comprised a consortium of the leading experts in each of the trades and professions involved in construction — all volunteers. Millions of dollars worth of expertise were placed at the service of the Jewish community.

Such outstanding building contractors as Alex Gross-

man, Julius Hanson, and Hersh Fogel gave of their time. Gerry Granek (mechanical engineer), Harry Hyde (electrical engineer), Alex Tobias (structural engineer), and Irving Saunders (architect) all participated. Bert Fine brought the committee the skills of a recreation specialist.

The group translated the space allotments into dollars and cents and proceeded to design a construction budget. The initial budget, in 1972, totalled \$4 million, all costs included. A fund-raising budget of \$5 million was therefore designed to provide endowment and operating funds as well.

As soon as they were completed, the figures were useless. A whole series of escalating costs, plus scarcity of materials and industrial upheaval, threatened the project. The committee had to sharpen its pencils and review every item on architect Jerome Markson's drawings for potential savings. At one

meeting, the team saved a half million dollars by developing a plan to put the handball courts under the gym instead of into a separate section.

At the same time, the problems of escalation were recognized by the fund-raising committee. Operating under the chairmanship of Wilfred Posluns, they raised their goal from \$5 million to \$6.5 million and gave the project a new lease on life.

Back in business, the building committee went to work along traditional lines, calling for preliminary tenders from general contractors.

When the envelopes were opened, the committee collectively entered a state of shock.

Instead of the anticipated \$5 million, the tenders ran from \$8 million up.

The committee then made its radical decision. The 'Y' would become its own contractor. This concept of moving away from a stipulated sum with a fixed and known

total was frightening to the board of directors. The building committee convinced the board that this would not only result in a substantial saving of funds but would even mean the difference between going ahead and not going ahead with construction.

To gain some degree of assurance, the committee urged that a professional contract management firm be engaged to handle the project. Competition for the job was not by the usual tender. Each tenderer was asked both to project the cost of construction and to cite the possible savings which could be made by changes in the plans. The estimates ranged from \$5 million to \$8 million.

The committee then turned to the lowest tenderers and asked them to provide proof that they could deliver the project at the estimated price. Karamco Company submitted guaranteed tenders from sub-trades totalling \$5 million.

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Montrealer, 23, is named top U.S. medical student

By STEPHANIE BRUSSELL

MONTREAL —

U.S. President Gerald Ford described him as a "truly remarkable man... destined to become one of our world's most prominent medical minds," and he wasn't exaggerating because he was talking about 23-year-old Norman Pinkas of Montreal.

Nothing less than extraordinary, Pinkas was the recipient of the American Medical Association Award for top student of the year, and was honored, along with the four runners-up by Ford at a White House breakfast recently. The winner, chosen from among 75,000 medical students throughout the U.S., is lauded for academic excellence.

Pinkas' average at Harvard Medical School, where he is on full scholarship, is 95.9%, "the highest ever recorded in the 60 years of this honor," Ford pointed out in a congratulatory letter.

The president also noted that Pinkas' average "shat-

ters the old mark by 4%," and that he is the first foreign student to ever be granted the award, as well as the youngest.

An alumnus of Baron Byng High School, Pinkas will be graduated from Harvard in 1976 and has already received 93 offers to intern at prestigious hospitals throughout the world.

He plans to accept the offer of Tripler Hospital in Honolulu, Hawaii, since they have made what he regards as "the best bid" — a secure future as head of its pediatric department upon completion of his internship and residency at the hospital.

Pinkas wants to specialize in pediatrics because "I love children." When he received his Bachelor of Science at Harvard it was with honors, 15 in all, including one from the American Jewish Congress for exceptional scholarship and philanthropy.

Philanthropy? Pinkas singlehandedly collected \$175,000 for Israel during the Yom Kippur War by knocking

on doors in Boston's wealthy neighborhoods.

"I felt that as a Jew, I owed it to the people in Israel," he explains simply.

His honors are not limited to academic and humanitarian areas. Pinkas also has a trophy for his season on Harvard's varsity football team, and from the hockey team at Montreal's Royal Victoria Hospital where he is currently gaining practical experience in a six-month work/study program.

"If I want to do something badly enough, I do it. I didn't start skating until I was 18," explains the bearer of a hockey trophy.

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau also honored Pinkas by presenting him with the Canadian Medical Students' Association Award for Speaker of the Year and Student of the Year for 1975. He received the 1974 Speaker of the Year award as well.

In spite of all this, Pinkas is amazingly normal. Modestly dressed and soft-spoken, he

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Nothing less than extraordinary is one of the comments about 23-year-old Montrealer Norman Pinkas who was recipient of American Medical Association's Helping Hands Award for being the top medical student of the year in the U.S. (Kay)

World News

Congress introduces bill to impose civil penalties on boycott participants

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON [JTA] — Legislation was introduced last week in the House of Representatives that would impose criminal and civil penalties on American participants in the Arab boycotts or those who initiate them.

The legislation was presented by Rep. Peter W. Rodino (D.-NJ), chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, and Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D.-NY). Rodino said that the legislation is "intended to preserve the constitutional right of all Americans to be free of racial and

religious discrimination." He said that his committee would hold hearings "to explore all the ramifications of the question this legislation addresses."

Rep. Holtzman said that "recent revelations of Arab-inspired economic boycotts against American Jews are extremely disturbing. Oil blackmail can pose an insidious threat to the liberty of all Americans." The legislation would make liable a company for up to \$1 million in fines and company officials would be subject to imprisonment and fines up to \$100,000 for any company effort to organize

an illegal boycott. Any company that cooperated with or participated in an illegal boycott would be liable to \$50,000. In addition, any person or company hurt by an illegal boycott could bring federal court action for treble damages against the company instigating the boycott.

Also, in the event the firm initiating the boycott is not present in the United States, the attorney general could seek a civil penalty against it, and after a court ruling, could seize its assets in the United States, including any funds owed to the firm by an American company.

Prosecutors appointed in preparation for trial

NEW YORK [JTA] —

Prosecutors have been chosen for the trial of Mark Nashpitz and Boris Tsitliok, the Moscow Jewish activists, and there is a possibility that the trial will be an open one to which foreign correspondents may be admitted, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry reported.

Nashpitz and Tsitliok were among seven de-

monstrators who were arrested outside the Lenin Library in Moscow on Feb. 24 for protesting the denial of exit visas. The names of the prosecutors were given as Larachev and Mukhin.

The NCSJ also reported that the prosecution planned to call 10 to 15 witnesses who will say that the demonstration lasted 15 minutes and that the demonstrators blocked

traffic, displayed posters and struck a woman. The defense hopes to call nine witnesses who can attest that the demonstration lasted not more than 30 seconds before it was disrupted by KGB agents and that there was no disruption of traffic.

The NCSJ said a date probably has been set for the trial but that it had no information on that point.

Senate allocates \$649.5 million in economic and military aid to Israel, Arabs get more

WASHINGTON [JTA] —

The Senate has adopted the 3.5 billion dollar Foreign Aid Bill and sent the measure to conference to iron out differences with the House version. The Senate allocated \$649.5 million in economic and military grants for Israel, while the House had voted \$15 million more.

The difference is in the funding for Soviet refugees in Israel with the Senate reducing the amount from \$40 to \$25 million. Funds for the Arab countries remained unchanged, with economic grants of \$250 million for Egypt, \$77 million for Jordan and another \$100 million for Middle East

"requirements", meaning generally Syria. In addition, Jordan is to get about \$100 million in military aid.

Thus the amount for Israel is nearly balanced by those being provided the Arabs. Economic aid to Israel will be a maximum of \$664.5 million if the House version of funds for Soviet refugees is adopted.

The grants for Israel total less than those given to its immediate Arab neighbors. Israel's grants, including the larger House version for Soviet refugees, total \$464.5 million. This includes the \$100 million in military aid. The

remaining \$200 million in military funding is a credit. The grants for the Arab states total \$527 million, including the \$100 million in military assistance to Jordan. This bill is for the fiscal year ending next June 30. Thus, almost nine months of the year are gone.

The new budget for the fiscal year starting July 1 has not yet been introduced in Congress. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger was expected to do so when he returned from his current Middle East shuttle. The Israelis are reportedly asking for \$2.5 billion for the year beginning July 1. \$1.5 billion of it for military purchases.



Spring has arrived and these two girls in Jerusalem take time off to soak in some of that long-awaited sunshine. (Jacob El-Baz photo)

Israel offering benefits to attract foreign firms

NEW YORK N.Y. —

Stimulated by the success and rapid growth rate of technological industries located in Israel and their contributions to the country's economy, the Israeli government has announced that it will offer new incentives designed to attract more foreign companies to the country.

At present, approximately 40 leading American companies have either science-based subsidiaries located in Israel or are presently engaged in joint ventures with Israeli manufacturers. Recent products which have been designed and manufactured in Israel (many having an added significance in light of today's energy crisis) are: solar heaters, drip irrigation systems, mini-computers, small solar-driven generators, remote-control irrigation systems, advanced pesticides and insecticides, the bomb "snif-

fer", electronic fence warning system, and highly sophisticated medical equipment particularly in the field of nuclear medicine.

Several of these products are already being sold in the United States by leading American companies. Recognized worldwide for its quality products and superior designs, much of Israel's advanced technologies — particularly in the fields of aeronautics, electronics, and medicine — have been a result of the country's defense needs.

The new benefits which are being extended to science-based industries in the program are as follows:

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4. Government participation in the amount of 50% towards the cost of industrial R & D.



In happier times, when there seemed to be some chance of success for his mission, U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger bartered with Israeli leaders prior to a dinner at Premier Rabin's residence. From left are: PM Rabin; Kissinger; Foreign Minister Allon; U.S. Undersecretary Sisco and Defence Minister Peres.

Secret efforts

Attorneys, law professors fail to free Russians

NEW YORK [JTA] —

A team of prominent American attorneys and law professors, headed by Telford Taylor, a law professor at Columbia University Law School, has been trying to obtain the release of Jewish and other prisoners in the Soviet Union through the use of Russian judicial procedures and laws, but the Soviet authorities were found "unresponsive to their own laws."

The secret efforts of the

American team during the last year were disclosed here at a press conference in the New York Bar Association building. Taylor, who was chief U.S. prosecutor at the war crimes trials in Nuremberg, said that after months without any response on the part of the Soviets to charges by the American attorneys the team is discarding secrecy and taking the case to the "court of world opinion."

According to Taylor, the group aimed at proving to the Soviets that "the validity of the legal procedure" and Soviet criminal laws were violated when the Jewish prisoners were tried, and that the conditions in which those prisoners are held are also illegal according to Soviet law. The team is representing the relatives of 18 Jewish and two non-Jewish "Prisoners of Conscience."

The two non-Jews were defendants in the first Leningrad trial in December 1970, which involved Soviet Jews who allegedly planned to escape to Israel. Taylor disclosed that the team obtained a power of attorney to work on behalf of the prisoners from their relatives who

immigrated to Israel.

After interviews with the prisoners' relatives and a thorough study of each case, the team submitted a petition on behalf of each individual prisoner to Roman Rudenko, the Procurator General of the USSR.

"While we were gratified at the willingness of Rudenko to receive our material, we are dismayed at the lack of reaction," Taylor said, adding: "We started legal procedures in the Soviet Union with the firm intention to operate privately and with no publicity. We now feel the necessity to bring the plight of these 20 prisoners before the court of world opinion." Taylor met Rudenko last July in Moscow.

Victims of Nazism may get reparations

JERUSALEM [JCNIS] —

Bruno Kreisky, the Austrian chancellor, is reported to have indicated that he now favors in principle the formal payment of reparations to all Austrian victims of Nazism. Up to now, apart from some minor payments in specific individual cases, the Austrian authorities have steadfastly refused to pay any reparations to former Austrian citizens. They are ineligible for reparations from West Germany because the Bonn government argues that these payments are Austria's responsibility.

According to Hillel Seidel, who heads a Knesset committee seeking to persuade the Austrian government to pay reparations to former Austrian citizens, he was told about Kreisky's change of heart by Nahum Goldmann, the president of the World Jewish Congress.

Kreisky reportedly told Goldmann that Austria was considering setting aside \$32 million for reparations to victims of the Nazis and that a measure to this effect would be introduced in the Austrian parliament soon.

800 Jews now living in Alaska

NEW YORK —

There are now over 800 Jews in Alaska, living in 22 communities, according to a census made by Chaplain Israel Haber, the Jewish chaplain at Elmendorf Air Force Base in Alaska. He has counted 866 Jews.

According to Chaplain Haber's census, 85-90 of the Jews are in the military. The largest Jewish population — 447 — is in Anchorage. Fairbanks, with 208 Jews, is the second largest Jewish community, followed by Juneau, the state capital, with 63.

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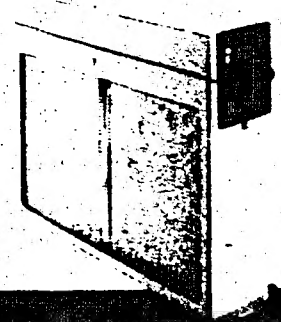
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Rabbi Heller, 76, dies of brain tumor

NEW YORK [JTA] —

Funeral services were held in Brooklyn for Rabbi Abraham M. Heller, spiritual leader of the Flatbush Jewish Center for the past 50 years, who died last week of a brain tumor at the age of 76. Rabbi Heller was born in Lithuania, came to the United States as a child and was educated at New York University, the University of Minnesota, Columbia University and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America where he was ordained.

He was a past president of the New York Board of Rabbis and a leader of the Board of Jewish Education of New York. His association with the Flatbush Jewish Center began in 1924 when he was appointed rabbi of the then newly formed congregation consisting of 50 families. During his long tenure it grew into one of the largest Conservative congregations in the U.S. Rabbi Heller was a founder of the Bialik Day School and the Solomon Schechter High School, both at the

Flatbush Jewish Center. He was the author of four books: *Jewish Survival*, a collection of sermons; *Vocabulary of Jewish Life*, dealing with concepts of Judaism; *Israel's Odyssey*, a study of Israel and Zionism; and *The Jew and His World*, a study of Jewish civilization. He was an organizer of Young Judea and had served as chairman of the general assembly of the Synagogue Council of America and on the board of the Rabbinical Assembly.

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More than 450 persons turned up to hear Abba Eban at the gala inaugural dinner of the Canadian Friends of Haifa University at the Four Seasons Sheraton. Top, Ray D. Wolfe (left), president of the Chamber and Mrs. Wolfe, chat with Eban and Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut prior to the speech-making. Bottom, the former Israeli foreign minister gets together with Barnett Danson, federal urban affairs minister. (Hoz)

Al Green, Mrs. Daniels named to Bonds posts

TORONTO —

The local chapter of the Israel Prime Minister's Club will be headed this year by two prominent community leaders, Al Green and Mrs. John H. Daniels, it was announced today by Herb Green, general campaign chairman for the 1975 Toronto Israel Bond Drive, and Mrs. Donald Lipman, women's division chairman.

The Prime Minister's Club is an international honor society which was inaugurated on the occasion of Israel's 25th anniversary. "With Chapters in every major community in the free world where Israel Bond campaigns are undertaken, those designated for membership are men and women whose pace-setting annual purchases of \$25,000 or more in Israel Bonds place them in the front rank of leadership and service in strengthening Israel's economic frontiers during one of the most crucial periods in its history," the chairmen declared in their announcement.

"Toronto's chapter membership of 96 places us among the top communities in North America, far exceeding other cities of comparable size. In 1975 we expect the enrollment will expand well into its second hundred, under the leadership of Al Green and Norine Daniels," the announcement stated.

Active in many areas of Jewish communal life and the business community, Al Green has long been closely identified with Israeli-oriented causes and is a frequent visitor to Israel. He has served as a general chairman of UJA, past president of Temple Sinai, and in numerous capacities connected with raising bond funds. Widely-known and highly-regarded in Canada's construction and real estate development field, Green is executive vice-president of Greenwin Developments.

With this appointment, Norine Daniels, herself one of the first women members of the Prime

Minister's Club in North America, becomes the first president of the newly-formed Women's Auxiliary of the Toronto chapter. Mrs. Daniels participated in the top-level Israel Bond conference in Israel last year when then Prime Minister Golda Meir officially inaugurated the founder-members of the honor society. Mrs. Daniels is an active member in Toronto Hadassah, the National Council of Jewish Women, and Adath Israel Synagogue.



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CIC should open an Ottawa office, Spivak says

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —

The Canada-Israel Committee must have an office in Ottawa, Sydney Spivak, leader of the opposition Manitoba Conservative Party, told members of the Toronto Men's Regional Council of B'nai B'rith at their annual Covenant Breakfast last week at Beth Tikvah

Synagogue.

The committee is currently located in Montreal, but the Winnipeg lawyer, who has held executive positions with B'nai B'rith, is convinced that the national capitol should be the focal point for its activities.

Spivak was substituting for John Diefenbaker, in hospital at the time, who was to have been honored.

Rabbi Green to be honored

By MOURA WOLPERT
Hamilton Correspondent

HAMILTON —

The 1975 Hamilton Negev Dinner will honor Rabbi Morton Green, Samuel Taylor, president of the Hamilton Jewish National Fund has announced.

The 22nd annual Hamilton Negev Dinner will be held at Adath Israel Synagogue on Sunday, May 25, and proceeds from the event will go toward the establishment of a land development project in Canada Park, to be named after Rabbi Green.

Spiritual leader of Adath Israel Congregation for the past 17 years, Rabbi Green served as chairman of the 1973 United Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign. He established the Hamilton Hebrew Academy Zichron Meir, the day school with the highest proportional student enrollment in North America, and in 1964 received the "Amudim" award for his achievements in the field of education.

Dinner chairman will be Chester Waxman, industrialist and a key figure in numerous organizations and institutions.

In another major community event, Chaya Kwint, author of *I'm Still Living*, will be the guest speaker at the Holocaust Memorial Observance on April 7, at 8 p.m., at the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre, 57 Delaware St.

Others taking part will include Ruth Slater, who will sing songs of the ghetto, Rabbis Bernard Baskin, Morton Green and Israel N. Silverman and Cantor Henry Zimmerman of Beth Jacob Congregation, as well as Dr. J.J. Shekter, president of the Hamilton Jewish Federation, which is sponsoring the event. Three McMaster University students and a pupil from each of the three synagogues' Hebrew schools will light the memorial candles.

For Gary Frydman, who has been chairman of the annual memorial obser-

Stressing the need for awareness and positive action, he told close to 800 representatives of 25 lodges that the Jewish people face a crisis once again, and there is very real concern for a new Holocaust. Jews all over the world, he warned, must be alert.

"The Six Day War lulled us into complacency and a belief in the myth of the Super Jew; but the illusion was shattered with the Yom Kippur War," said Spivak. Declaring Israel's strength had been overestimated, he noted a failure to assess the real force of Arab nationalism. "Now we must understand what really happened," he remarked.

"Britain, France, the

Soviet Union and China considered the Israelis expendable. They were quite prepared to permit a Holocaust once again!"

He maintained that the Soviet Union is an imperial power with many of the goals of the preceding czarist regime. She is ready, he said, to seize her opportunity for influence in the Middle East.

"We in this country must anticipate and mobilize. Don't let us be snowed by Arab propaganda backed by vast financial reserves. The very fate of Israel is on the line!"

The Canada Israel Committee must explain the case for Israel and our rightful concern in the best way possible,

through the media, organizations, and universities, he said. "It is not enough to send money; we must also visit Israel, and above all, talk to friends, neighbors, political people on every level. In the past, we have been reasonably successful, but it was not enough. We must alter our ways."

Shmuel Ovnat, Israel Consul General, also emphasized the need for commitment by Canadian Jews. "We are mishpocha

and we ask you to come and visit us now. Remember, it is hardest to live the daily existence alone. We need you; you need us. We are striving not only for survival, but for the right to exist independently in the Middle East as a free and united people."

He suggested that B'nai B'rith Lodges here adopt the use of such Hebrew names as Ma'alot, Kiryat Shmuna, Tel Aviv. "They are good names," he declared.

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Collapse of Kissinger's mission leaves Geneva last hope for sanity

The threat of war in the Middle East is more real now than at any time since the end of the Yom Kippur War. This is the gloomy view that prevails in the wake of the failure of the Kissinger mission, a failure not entirely unexpected given the circumstances prevailing in that troubled part of the world.

The collapse of Mr. Kissinger's step-by-step diplomacy is due to the intransigence of Egypt and her refusal to end the state of war with Israel in return for a large-scale Israeli pullback in the Sinai, including giving up the strategic Mitla and Gidi passes as well as the Abu Rudeis oilfields. Nothing more clearly points to where the blame lies than the arrogant Egyptian demand for a pullback from all occupied territories. To accede to this demand without any concessions from Egypt would have put Israel in a vulnerable military position.

Israel's right to live within secure boundaries — how often have we heard this phrase in recent times — cannot be realized by a surrender to those forces dedicated to her downfall. The failure of the Kissinger mission was a diplomatic victory for the Soviet Union, the chief supporter and arms provider of the Arab nations. Russian influence in the Middle East is on the rise once again, while that of the United States is on the wane.

Egypt's unwillingness to accept the existence of a Jewish state is the rock on which the Kissinger diplomacy foundered. Those critics of Israel who have claimed that there is a lack of mobility of her part, a refusal to take positive steps towards peace,

should be silenced by the events of the past few days.

Israel offered Egypt several options in an effort to reach a basis of agreement, but these, too, were rejected out of hand. The prolonged negotiations in which Mr. Kissinger shuttled back and forth between the two capitals, raised initial hopes of real progress towards peace. If there were differences in the Israeli cabinet over what concessions to make — as suggested in a news dispatch — there was no indication of this in Prime Minister Rabin's statement following the breakdown of negotiations.

Secretary Kissinger made no effort to conceal his deep disappointment over the turn of events. "This is a sad day for America," he said prior to departure for the United States. "We will now have to look to new methods and new forums."

It is a sad day for all who strive for peace founded on justice and decency. The Arab nations, riding the crest of a tremendous wave of oil power, armed to the teeth with the most modern weapons, and still clinging to their belief that Israel must die, are poised for another war in pursuit of their goal. If they are to be restrained from embarking on yet another bloody adventure, the two super powers must act in concert to bring about a political settlement, though not an imposed one.

The odds against Israel are greater than ever, but her morale is high, her determination to survive no matter what sacrifice is called for, as steadfast as at any time in her troubled history. The scene may now shift to Geneva, which may be the last chance for sanity to reassert itself.

Canada should bar PLO's Arafat from UN criminology convention

The latest instalment in the hard-to-believe story of Yasser Arafat and his planned September visit to Toronto for a criminology convention, is that he won't be allowed to pack a pistol. No sir, the head of the Palestinian terrorists will be requested to hand over his rod because to possess it while here would be a breach of the Canada Customs Act.

Big deal. As if the separation of Mr. Arafat from his pistol makes his appearance in Toronto kosher. As if the observance of this legal nicety cleanses him of the blood of innocent victims. Is it too much to ask the Trudeau Government to let Arafat know — in diplomatic language, of course — that he is not welcome here. Persona non grata is the way diplomats call giving someone the back of their hand.

It's all very well for Canada to keep aloft the flag of neutrality, but is it a departure from that stance to bar the entry of a man whose orders have killed innocent people; whose avowed aim repeated time and time again is the liquidation of Israel as a sovereign state. A man who has reactivated the Arab boycott of firms doing business with Jews? Because an Arab-weighted

General Assembly of the United Nations prostituted its principles and gave him an enthusiastic welcome, conveniently overlooking the fact that Yasser Arafat was not a chief of state, is certainly no reason why he should be acceptable as a visitor to Canada. Since when do we invite criminals into this country?

It's difficult to follow *The Globe and Mail's* editorial reasoning that because the United Nations welcomed the PLO leader, Canada is more or less obliged to let him in.

Leaving aside all the most obvious and compelling reasons why we should keep him out, there is one that should not be overlooked, and that is the possibility that some lunatic fringe organization might be tempted to take pot shots at him. Past experience has shown that all the security in the world sometimes falls short of protecting a controversial figure from harm.

Let's tell Yasser Arafat that his presence in Canada, with or without his pistol, is a threat to law and order and it would be better to let the criminology convention proceed without the benefit of his wide knowledge of crime.

Although proud of Jewish education some glaring needs have to be met

The Toronto Jewish community is proud of its achievements in the field of Jewish education. Over 10,500 Jewish youngsters are enrolled in Jewish schools of all persuasions, and the fact that some 45% of these youngsters are to be found in day schools is cause for rightful pride on the part of the Jewish community.

Yet despite the numbers enrolled in Toronto's schools, and the glowing achievements of the Jewish School system, there remain some glaring needs which must be met. One of these is in the area of post-bar-mitzvah Jewish education.

Elsewhere in this newspaper is a report of a national U.S. study of Jewish high school enrolment. The report points out, that the typical supplementary Jewish high school has poorly trained teachers, a questionable curriculum, and minimal class meeting time. We agree with Robert Arnow, president of the American Association for Jewish Education, that it is "unreasonable to expect more than a modicum of achievements" unless these inadequacies in the high school program can be overcome.

In Toronto, there has been a long-standing recognition by many educators that a centralized community-wide evening Hebrew high school is a vital necessity. In our view, such an institution, with a meaningful curriculum, exciting teachers, and extended hours of instructional time for all students, is long overdue.

Such a school, operating out of one or two locations in the city, would enable capable youngsters from all congregational schools, interested in pursuing their Jewish studies, to participate in a meaningful learning experience. An enlarged enrolment would provide greater flexibility in streaming students in accordance with their ability. Teachers who have a proven record of success with high school students would be

made available to larger numbers of teenagers. An administration devoting full-time to the needs of high school youth would be able to develop curricular and extra-curricular programs which would enrich the Jewish background of our youth, and prepare them more adequately to live as Jews.

A serious stumbling block to the development of a centralized high school has been the desire of individual congregational schools to maintain their own institutions. The congregations have argued that they cannot surrender authority over their high school classes, for in doing so they would be relinquishing ties with members' children at a most crucial stage in their educational development. Yet, this is hardly a defensible argument in the face of a growing realization that congregational high schools, with enrolments of 40, 50 or 60 students are financially burdensome, and leave much to be desired educationally.

We suggest that there is a far better prospect of holding on to our high school youth particularly those not registered in the day schools, if they are in fact encouraged to enrol in community high schools.

Good educational planning and sound fiscal responsibility dictate that our synagogues consider abandoning their individual high school operations in favor of a community-wide effort in this vital area of Jewish education. With proper support from the United Jewish Welfare Fund and the Board of Jewish Education, such a community-funded high school could be of great benefit to a larger and growing number of youth seeking to learn more about their Jewish heritage.

We urge those responsible for effecting the development of such an institution to begin talks in earnest, and seek to establish such a school in the near future.



It's just about Sabbath time in Jerusalem and the elderly gentleman on the way to the synagogue pauses to have his shoes polished by this street vendor. Thousands of tourists flock to Jerusalem during Passover. (Jacob El-Baz photograph)

Letters to the Editor

Did enemy steer us into UNESCO boycott?

Dear Editor:

At the UNESCO meeting in Paris recently, unjust political action was taken in excluding Israel from joining the European division. As a result, the United States is withholding funds for support of UNESCO and leading scientists and artists around the world are withdrawing their personal services to UNESCO.

An obvious question must be raised, which I have not seen raised elsewhere. Is it really possible that the nation's whose votes excluded Israel were not aware that the ensuing hue and cry would be? Is it not likely that their very purpose was not to exclude one country but to undermine the functioning of the whole agency, as they seem to be succeeding in doing?

If you say that those nation's are the very ones that will suffer from losing UNESCO funding for programs of benefit to themselves, remember that Arab oil money is plentiful and has already been used as if anything in the world can be bought. In addition, the Russian and Chinese backers of the Arabs not only are not poor, but have specialized in arousing suspicion and hate among their enemies who are trying to move the world toward peace.

The aim of mankind in the global village, in particular for Jews, should be to create bonds and associations between men and between nations, removing barriers, tensions and polarities.

I believe the actions against UNESCO should be reassessed as possibly playing into the hands of enemies and provocateurs with the opposite aims.

Lawrence Edgson,
Toronto.

Dear Editor:

Over 350 delegates of the Zionist Organization of Canada have just returned from Israel where the organization held its 41st national convention. In every sense of the word it was a spectacular success.

Those who think that they can not attract as many delegates to a convention in Israel as they can in Canada are wrong; the Z.O.C. has never had as many registered delegates at a convention. And what possible comparison can there be between having a Zionist convention in Jerusalem as compared to Toronto or Montreal?

The co-operation from Israeli sources including the department of tourism, El Al and other agencies was superb. The local travel agent Aufgang Travel and the Israeli-based Foreign Tours handled all matters with skill and thoroughness. And also a special thanks to *The Canadian Jewish News* in recognizing the importance

of our efforts by giving it full and constant publicity and editorial support.

There is simply no excuse for any Zionist organization not to hold its convention in Israel from now on. We have shown that it can be done successfully and others must follow suit.

I might add that we had a large number of first timers and without exception all have indicated a commitment to return. It was good for us and it was good for Israel.

We also arranged to have the Mogen David Adom set up a one-day clinic at the hotel during the convention and I am proud to say that 75 of our delegates proudly donated much-needed blood.

Max Goody,
National Convention Chairman,
Zionist Organization of Canada.

Dear Editor:

Please accept our sincere thanks and grateful appreciation for your excellent coverage at our Jewish Music Month Celebration.

Due to your able assistance our Evening of Jewish Music was an outstanding success.

We at the Jacob N. Goldblatt Jewish Community Centre are fortunate to have such excellent media in our area and know we can depend on your continued co-operation in the future.

Once again, thank you.

Helen Minden,
Cultural Arts Director,
Hamilton Jewish Community Centre.

Dear Editor:

What a surprise it was to read in the March 14th edition an article on Oshawa. I now live in Toronto, but I was born and raised in Oshawa. My parents still live there. I know a great majority of Oshawa's Jewish community subscribes to *The Canadian Jewish News*. The informative article was most welcome and certainly appreciated by those who can identify with life in Oshawa.

It was even a greater surprise for me to learn that my father photographed the Chanukah picture that you published with the article. I can recall the Chanukah parties I attended as I went through Hebrew school. It is quite true that most of the families have roots in Toronto, our family does, but Oshawa was and still is home to me.

Lucille Snider,
Toronto.

Immersed in the literature he loves, Shalom Siphriya writes of our history

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —

Shalom Siphriya does not produce best sellers. His name is not a household word in the literary world, but he writes with a purpose — to help keep alive the learning and history of the Jewish people.

Immersed in books, he reads them, writes them, and sells them. In fact his pen-name, Siphriya, is the Hebrew word for library. His real name is David Hardoff, a slight man with longish gray hair escaping from under his hat. He sits at the desk in his store at Bathurst and Finch, surrounded by the books and newspapers which he sells. He is polite to his customers, even sociable, but they are secondary to his real reason for being, because Shalom Siphriya is a scholar, and he wants to share his knowledge.

Born in Poland, 57 years ago, a son of a rabbi, his absorption in literature was interrupted when the Nazis forced him to leave for England. The scholar became a soldier, joining the British Forces at the beginning of World War II. He fought with the Eighth Army across the Western Desert, in Egypt, Lebanon, and Palestine, always waiting for the time when he could return to his books.

Now, day and night, with a kind of

dedication which has almost gone out of style, he culls Hebrew periodicals, pores over the Talmuds, the Torah, Hebrew and Yiddish writings, researching his works. He is preparing an anthology and has completed three books to date.

The first, an etymology, gives the derivation of names from the Bible, people, places, animals, anything which he considers significant. Numerous Talmudic and Rabbinic sources are cited.

The second, devoted to the great rabbis, is a collection of their names with some mention of their contributions.

Book number three, an especially ambitious effort, includes references from Israeli newspapers, the classic writers such as Bialik, Peretz, Agnon, current literature, even paperbacks, and certain Canadian publications. There is emphasis, too, on Jewish heroes, and included is the brief story of Meir Weiss, son of Rabbi Yehudah Weiss of Toronto, who lost his life in the Yom Kippur War.

Siphriya continues to take notes for successive books in his anthology, but he has also turned to a new, exceptionally painstaking endeavor: He has arranged to have printed in Israel a number of copies of Rashi's Biblical commentary, from proofs which he himself has vetted and punctuated every single word by hand! The

print is particularly clear, and in true Yiddish style, there is even a commentary on the Commentary! He has already published one volume, based on Genesis and is preparing a second, on Exodus.

Students from various parts of the world use the books which are compiled with such devotion. In Canada, orders have been received from the National Library at Ottawa, York University, and the parochial schools. People who want to study, to learn on their own, come into the store for them.

A letter from the principal of Beth Yaakov School for Girls in Baltimore states, "The print is extremely clear. In itself this is a contribution. In addition, the Nikud (vowels) and the punctuation really add to the usefulness of this publication."

Why does a man spend hour after hour laboring so precisely, penning every vowel, every comma, when it could all be done by machine?

"I just like to do it," he says, "and besides, no machine could be so detailed, so right."

These are not extensive editions, just a few thousand altogether, but they contribute inestimably to the wonderful Jewish tradition of learning. The small man peering through his glasses, studying with patience and love, is actually doing something big!

ask the rabbi

No real reason why cemeteries can't be utilized as parkland

1. Can a burial ground also be laid out as a park, as is done with some Christian cemeteries — that is a place for the public to walk, sit or read?

This question, or one very similar, was discussed by Rabbi Hayyim Eleazar Shapiro (1872-1937) of Munkacs (Minhat Eleazar, Vol. IV, No. 61). Rabbi Shapiro quotes a Responsum on the question from his grandfather Solomon Shapira (1832-1893) who is strongly opposed to planting trees and flowers for decorative purposes in a Jewish cemetery.

One of his reasons is that it is forbidden to waste anything of value and the flowers can be used for more necessary purposes. Another reason he gives is that it is forbidden to have any benefit from the earth of the graves.

This latter reason would apply only to flowers which grow on the graves themselves and the first reason is dubious. After all, as you suggest, the flowers and park land will benefit visitors to the cemetery.

The main reason for Rabbi Shapira's objection is that it is aping Gentile customs — Chukkot ha-goy. Without knowing it, you seem to support his contention since you say: "as is done with some Christian cemeteries."

The question of which practices fall within this prohibition and which do not is extremely complicated. The Shapira family in Hungary tended to come down heavily against any departure from traditional norms as Chukkot ha-goy. The sources are less uncompromising.

According to many authorities the prohibition only applies when a practice is copied that has doctrinal significance or where it suggests some mysterious purpose, not where there is good reason for it. For instance, in Islamic lands where doctors wore a special kind of robe, the ruling was given that this does not fall under the prohibition.

There does not seem, therefore, to be any real objection to your suggestion.

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Should military insist on blind obedience or trust 'comradeship in arms?'

Debate again rages after commission criticizes lack of discipline

By YORAM KESSEL

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

In its assessment of the shortcomings which marked the period prior to the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War and the initial phase of the fighting, the Agranat Commission hedged on two major issues which the public had been waiting to hear an authoritative opinion — the question of the defence minister's responsibility for what goes on in the army, and the whole strategic stance on which the IDF's military posture was based.

But on another focal issue in contention the committee's opinion could not have been clearer and more determined — that of the role of military discipline and regimen in the make-up of the Israeli army. This is one matter on which the commission pulls no punches and a whole section of the report is devoted to consideration of shortcomings in this area.

The excessive weight in the report attached to discipline may be put down to the known propensity to the subject of the two former chiefs of staff on the commission, Yigal Yadin and Haim Laskov. An inclination not to take orders at face value (which accounted in part for the absolute surprise of men along the front lines when fighting erupted) carelessness in fulfilling strict provisions for secrecy over communications network, the fact that stores and equipment were not ready. These extreme examples, it can't be doubted, cost needlessly in lives and equipment.

On this there are no divergent views. The debate is over the matter of "indivisible discipline," the relationship between the little things and readiness for a crucial test in battle. Whether the traditional relaxed

relationship of the IDF between commanders and their men, the absence of saluting, for instance, the informality of dress, are key facets of discipline or not.

This is an issue which the commission rightly notes has been on the IDF's agenda ever since its establishment. Although the textbooks are quite explicit in their insistence on formal discipline, the arguments have never ended between the two schools who inaugurated it in the early days. On the one hand the successors of the underground groups with their conception of "comradeship in arms" and discipline where it counts, on the battlefield, against the "British army school" which conceived of discipline per se as a vital ingredient in the quality of every soldier's performance.

Although some individual commanders, notable in the armored corps, such as Israel Tal and more recently Shmuel Gonen instituted martinet regimes in their specific units, the general atmosphere derived from that Palmach outlook, the army acquiring a deserved image of slovenliness but performing magnificently with everything working in clockwork fashion in time of need, and especially when the chips were down.

Interestingly, on October 4, 1973, only two days before the outbreak of fighting while Egyptian and Syrian commanders were unwrapping their battle plans, and Israeli intelligence was misreading the signs, the General Staff in Tel Aviv devoted itself to a long postponed discussion of the essence of discipline in Zahal. The disciplinarians insisted that things were going awry and on the need for a stricter regime.

Always latent, the debate is now again in full cry with people like Haim Herzog, of the same bent as Yadin and Laskov and the

"sergeant-major inclined" insisting that the army having been re-equipped retrained its manpower, and absorbed the big lessons of the war, it is now crucial for the seemingly small matters such as the loose shirt button, the shaggy haircut and the beret to be put in place.

The opposing view, while agreeing that discipline is composed of two facets, obedience (not blind) and trust, would argue the latter to be the key element. That to be valuable, operational discipline must derive from self-awareness, that a good soldier may be untidy and still not necessarily neglect his weapon. Discipline should not confine itself primarily to externals but to respect for one's fellows and care for property — that proper discipline must be based on logic and morality and most of all motivation. The individual soldier trained to improvise and develop his own qualities to the maximum are what won the IDF its reputation for all the equally deserved reputation for sloppiness.

Perhaps the most difficult trauma the Israeli public had to bear in the wake of the war was the discovery that Zahal was not an island of order and perfection in a sea of consumerism, disdain for traditional values and absence of mutual respect, which had been perceived to be on the increase in the society at large over the years preceding the war. Certainly it is now universally accepted that whatever the shortcomings they did not evolve suddenly on October 6, 1973 but were the outcome of trends and developments long in process.

The problem, though, is whether in fact, given the make-up of Israeli society, the army can isolate itself and be better than the society. The argument as reflected in the conclusion of the commission is that it had



The Yom Kippur War dented Israel's image of its armed forces. The findings of the Agranat Commission drew attention to the Israeli army's most serious deficiency — discipline. The problem is now being debated by Israeli army brass and the man-in-the-street.

been so in the past and it must do so again. With the bulk of the army, its reserves, and the accurate commonplace, that Israelis are in fact no more than "soldiers on eleven months leave" there is surely at least some wishful thinking in that. Martial discipline with regard to the reservists would seem inconceivable.

The problem is how, as Israel itself

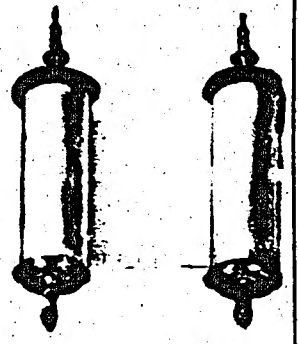
emerges from the era of initial innovation and youth to a more crystallized image of itself and established mores, a correct balance can be struck amid stools between which it has partly fallen; between the inevitable growth of the army in size, the need to assert the primacy of professionalism in its ranks, and the lingering desire to maintain it as a "people's army" which

belongs to everyone and still reflects the society at large. The coming few years will prove the validity or the impossibility of the dream of a reserve colonel who as guest columnist in an Israeli newspaper wrote "The fact that an army is a people's army need in no way contradict the principle of discipline."

'Stop being so polite'

Rabbi says it's time we started arguing with Almighty to bring the Redemption

sparks from the torah



By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Chol Hamoad Pesach/ Shevill v'Achiron shel Pesach.

Mash' chaynee acharecha narutza ... Draw me, we will run after thee ... (Song of Songs)

It's time we Jews stopped being so polite ... and started arguing with the Ribono shel Olam to bring the Redemption...

A woman once cried to the Kuznitzer Maggid...he husband left her because he claimed she wasn't good looking enough. "Maybe you're really not good looking?" the Maggid asked. "But Rabbi," the woman cried, "when we were under the chupah I was pretty enough — when did I suddenly

become homely?" The saint stood up and cried — "Ribono shel Olam, when you took us out of Egypt and gave us the Torah we were pretty enough for You...why have you left us alone now?" (Sipuray Chassidim)

The Mashiah will come when we show we're ready for him — by keeping the Almighty's commandments. Sometimes it's not easy, but when we want to, G-d helps...Consider — if there would have been recording studios in the time of Moses, he and the Jews would have made a mint. Why? When the Jews crossed the Red Sea, they sang a praise to the Almighty that has been on the "hit parade" for 3,000 years. But it's strange...Moses and Israel are given credit for the song — "Az yashuer Moshe u'v'nei Yisrael..." — when the truth is that all they did was open their mouths, and G-d supplied the words and music — so why do they get the credit?

But it teaches an important thing...the Ribono shel Olam says of the Jews, "Listen, the main thing I want from you is that you should want to do a mitzvah — I will help fill in the rest. You start, and I'll finish." (Shayme MeeShmuel)

Elijah the Prophet will do his thing — when we set things straight — we have to make our souls Number One, and our bodies Number Two. Consider...the lowly-

est servant at the Red Sea saw G-d more clearly than the greatest prophets. How did every Tom, Dick and Yossel suddenly become super-Jews? But when the plainest Jew was willing to risk his body by walking between walls of water that might drown him instantly — just in order to follow Moses and receive the Torah — the Ribono shel Olam said, "these people have real soul, and I will expose my soul (kavyachol) to them..." (Huray Torah)

If we don't want the Messiah to be lazy, we mustn't be lazy. Even if we get our full "120," we're here in this world just a short time. You can't go to shul, or put on tefillin, or give charity from six-foot under... We have to pack our "suit-case" with mitzvot and Torah study — and make sure we can account for every day.

Above all, chas v'shalom that we Jews should find faults or fight among ourselves. Who is not afraid to tangle with the apple of G-d's eye? When the Jews crossed the Red Sea, the angels sang their praise... "K'lebach ha'yeonon rakoshaych" — like a slice of pomegranate are thy temples... Ribono shel Olam, the plainest Jew is full of good deeds like a pomegranate... Once the Baal Shem Tov, sat with his disciples at the Shabbat morning meal. He heard them sneering at the simple Jews who were sitting outside reciting Psalms — without understanding a word they meant. The holy teacher told them to close their eyes, hold each other's hands with his, and brought them up to the highest heavenly chamber...where the simple, heartfelt words formed a bright crown around the Almighty's head...

Ribono shel Olam...who is like our people Israel? "Heenach yafah, anyayich yoneem...behold thou art fair thine eyes are like doves..." Just as doves are pure, so are we pure; as doves are chaste, so are we chaste; as a dove is faithful to its mate, so are we faithful to the Ribono shel Olam; and just as the only defense of a dove are its fragile wings, the defense of Israel are our good deeds... (Medrash Rabbah)

Zal shoin kimmien der Geulah...Shabbat Shalom, v'chag sameach.

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Spirit of 'hayedid' lives as people he befriended remember him warmly

Landmark Events In Our History



By ROCHELLE CARR

A plane was reported to have gone down in the hills near Bishenpur, in Burma, with all passengers lost. It was March 24, 1944. On board was Major-General Orde Wingate.

The most incredible thing about Wingate's life is that all with whom he came in contact found him a remarkable man — remarkably good or remarkably intolerable.

But whatever the world, and particularly what fellow British officers felt about this member of the Plymouth Brethren who knew the Bible perfectly, the name of Orde Wingate was, and continues to be, looked upon with warmth and gratitude by Jews.

To the struggling Jewish pioneers in the late 1930's, Wingate became "hayedid" — the friend.

It began in 1936 when he arrived in Palestine as a British intelligence officer with his beautiful wife, Lorna. (She would bear him his only child, a son, born six weeks after his death.)

He had had a previous obsession with things Arab, (he was distantly related to

T.E. Lawrence; he spoke Arabic and he had spent time in the Sudan). This changed when he saw the struggling Jews of Palestine and what Arab terrorism did to Jewish pioneers as well as to oil pipelines in the north that the British were supposed to protect. Soon after, both Lorna and Orde became advocates of Zionism.

Despite much opposition from fellow British officers, in 1938 Wingate inaugurated his now famous special night squads, composed mainly of Jews from kibbutzim in outlying areas. In a note referring to the SNS he wrote: "Three great principles remain always the same: surprise, concentration of forces at decisive point, security."

For the Jews of Palestine, his greatest contribution was not just to teach them military tactics, but more important, to change their attitude. "Havлага" or restraint may often be noble, but there are times, he showed them, when it is nothing more than foolhardy.

Despite his successes in Abyssinia and Burma during World War II, he was often ill and troubled, and it was at these times that his friends from Ha'aretz rushed to the bedside of "hayedid."

When news of his death flashed around the world, the approximate 20 Jews of Aberdeen, Scotland, where his wife and her family spent most of their days, held a memorial service in their little synagogue.

A few months later, Winston Churchill would rise in the House of Commons and speak of Wingate: "There was a man of genius, who may well have become also a man of destiny. He has gone, but his spirit lives on..."

And for the Jews of Palestine, who went into mourning upon hearing the tragic news, the spirit of "hayedid" still lives on.

Arrival of European forebears was real start of communal life

By J.B. SALSBERG

First a few introductory remarks.

Our budding Jewish historians are telling you all about the few Jews who reached this beckoning land, this Canada of ours, with the first streams of European adventurers, or traders, or as members of the French and, later, the British armies of conquest, or as commissioners and provisioners.

Those scribes will you with the minutest details of the lives and experiences of the Harts, the Davids, the Schombergs, the Davises, the Nodheimers and some others most of whom have long ago dissolved into the French or English bloodstreams. Well, let them — that's what historians are for.

But for me, the really meaningful beginnings of distinctive, continuing, multi-faceted Jewish communal life in this country coincide with the arrival of significant numbers of our East European forebears, or their immediate descendants, who reached our shores via Britain, France and the United States of America.

The Harts and Davids were, at best, concerned with their immediate religious needs and rights. But the East European immigrants brought with them a rich, historically evolved religious, social and cultural heritage (including a language of their own — Yiddish) that amounted to an almost self-contained civilization.

And now we can turn to our main task — to supply vignettes, or candid-camera shots of our immediate past that may be useful in the compilation of a new, a Canadian Haggadah, as Uncle Eleizer proposes. Let's get into the mood of the old, the traditional Haggadah and recite aloud the great deeds of our immediate forefathers.

The ancestors of the present Jewish community in Canada came here after they fled the bondage of the Eastern European part of the continent of Europe, where they had dwelt for many



Columnist Salsberg

centuries. They were imbued with a strong Jewish awareness, with varying degrees of traditional Judaic knowledge and, increasing numbers of them, nurtured in their hearts and minds the liberal and egalitarian ideas and ideals that motivated the thoughts and actions of the European avant-garde of their time.

Our forefathers came here in search of "parnoses" (a livelihood), freedom from discrimination and persecution and the opportunity to live their lives in peace and self-respect. But mainly it was in the search for "parnoses", for almost all of them were poor. A great many lacked the skills required in a factory-based economy. A large portion of the newcomers were not even prepared for the big city life-style.

But our ancestors, praised be their memories, though without means and without knowledge of the language and customs of their new environment, managed to perform miracles in the process of their adjustment to the new

conditions. Driven by economic necessity and guided by the compass of long-acquired national, social and ethical values they excelled in their efforts.

Neither the laws nor services of government provided help or guidance to the newcomer. As for the existing, small Jewish communities that they found, their help was of the most minimal sort and often totally non-existing. They had to be not only self-reliant in a strange world but ready to perform any task, none being too demeaning, in order to survive here.

In the early years of this century our parents and grandparents worked as laborers. They cut forests on the Prairies and founded Jewish farm communities. They entered factories in the larger centres and became wage earners in clothing headgear, fur and shoe shops, in cigar factories and some worked in the building of our railways. Others became bakers, butchers, grocers, milkmen, coal deliverymen, cleaners and pressers door-to-door peddlars and they became rag-peddlars, junk dealers, bottle dealers, operators of "rag-shops" that employed Jewish "rag-pickers" and, wonder of wonder, some Jews even became the proud wearers of the uniforms of street car employees...

Yes, my young and gentle readers, they were a dynamic, a very productive breed of people — our ancestors were. And side-by-side with earning a living, adjusting to a new surrounding they built, with their bare hands and penny donations, a magnificent array of Jewish institutions: religious, fraternal, secular, cultural, welfare, educational, unions, political movements, Zionist organizations, a Yiddish press, theatre, etc. etc. etc.

Let us, therefore, raise our first cup of wine to praise and pay tribute to our parents and grandparents who built, perhaps better than they knew, who proved worthy heirs to our finest traditions. To our ancestors, Lechayim!

Under-represented Orientals gain power

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT —

The first step in a shift of political power from European Jews to Oriental Jews taken recently in the Knesset, where Oriental MKs established a parliamentary caucus that cuts across party lines. Ostensibly the caucus was set up to focus attention on social and economic problems of special interest to Israelis of North African and Middle Eastern origin, but its most significant aim is to change the national power structure.

Under-representation of Oriental Jews in key posts is evident all along the line, with the cabinet being a particularly blatant case in point. Only two of its 21 members are of Oriental origin: Police Minister Shlomo Hilel from Iraq, and Agriculture Minister Aharon Uzan from Tunisia.

Caucus M.K.s believe that by right there should be at least several more in addition to Hilel and Uzan, as well as more Oriental Jews on the boards of government

companies, on the Supreme Court, etc.

The new 12-member parliamentary group is also anxious to ensure that current austerity measures interfere as little as possible with the educational and social welfare programs which are of such importance to Oriental Jews. Members point with concern to the fact that when Bar-Ilan University was forced to economize, one of the first things it did was to cut off the stipends it had allocated to 230 needy students, most of them from Oriental families. Only after public pressure were they reinstated.

Even in the foreign policy sphere the caucus has special interests. Led by M.K. Mordechai Ben-Porat, its members are demanding that compensation be paid to those Jews now in Israel whose money and property were confiscated when they were forced to flee from Arab lands. Ben-Porat calls for the establishment of a special body to catalogue the losses and to arrange for appropriate restitution. The United Nations Relief and Works Agency, he adds, should

help these Jewish refugees just as it helps Arab refugees.

Members of the caucus hotly deny the charge of party bosses that their group is "unnecessary" or "regressive". It is necessary, they say, not only to achieve specific political objectives, but also to transform the self-image of many Oriental Jews.

Yitzhak Navon, a leading M.K. of Oriental origin, recently gave a convincing explanation of the need for such a transformation. When a Moroccan Jew was asked where he came from, Navon pointed out, he was apt to give one of two answers: "I am from the south of France," or "I am from Morocco" — so what do you want to make of it?

The first reaction, Navon declared, revealed an inferiority complex, while the second was an expression of hostility and aggression, Navon hopes that both will disappear when Oriental Jews assume a more central role in Israeli society.



Shlomo Hilel, Sephardic cabinet minister.

Organizations and People

what's new...

By MIRIAM HERMAN



JEWISH LEGION REUNION

Veterans of the Palestine Jewish Legion will be making their annual pilgrimage to Israel in May. Formed 57 years ago, the Legion served with British General Edmund Allenby during World War I. More than 5,000 men from Canada and the U.S. joined up, including Torontonians Joseph Bernbaum, Israel Katz and Harry Freeman, and Paul Swartz from Oshawa. Veterans from all over the world will be gathering for the reunion at the Soldiers Museum, near Netanya, joined by those who remained in Palestine when the Legion was demobilized in 1919. There are about 300 veterans still alive today. For further details contact William Bratman, P.O. Box 1633, Baltimore, Md., 21203, U.S.A.

SEMINAR ON ISRAEL

An all-day seminar on Israel, *The People Around Her, And The Super Powers*, has been scheduled for Friends of Pioneering Israel for Sunday, March 30. Among the speakers will be Moshe Kagan, American Zionist Federation; Professor Yehuda Kahane, faculty of management studies, University of Toronto; Simcha Roth, Jewish Agency shaliach for culture and education; Rachel Jacobs, Americans for Progressive Israel; Jack Eisner, Canadian Union of Jewish Students; and Avraham Lazar, Association of Meti and Non-Status Indians. The time is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Town House, Eglinton Avenue West.

JOB SHOROTAGE AT JVS

For the past 27 years, Jewish Vocational Service has been operating a free placement service in the community. Growing numbers of people have been seeking the help of JVS counsellors including numerous recent Russian immigrants with many years experience. Many of these people are having difficulty finding employment due to recent lay-offs and cutbacks. JVS relies on employers in the community to help provide jobs. If you have any job openings, please contact JVS at 787-1151.

ART SHOW ON EXHIBIT

Aviva Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO's 23rd annual art show goes on display at Simpson's Avon Galleries, fifth floor, Monday, March 31. The collection will be there until April 17, when it will be moved over to the Inn on the Park for the big auction on Saturday, April 19. Two conducted tours have been planned for Tuesday, April 8 at Simpsons — at 10:45 a.m. by Toby Jordan, former art gallery owner, and at 2 p.m. by Pat Fleisher, artist and editor of Art Magazine.

TEA AND FASHIONS FOR UJA

The annual tea and fashion show staged recently by Associated Hebrew Schools grade nine girls was a huge success. Not only did the event draw a

capacity crowd, it also raised more than \$1,500 for UJA. The show highlighted spring fashions modelled by the students themselves. Deena Bernholtz and Beverly Rubin were chairmen of the program which was part of the student activities department directed by Gary Levine.

MODEL GOES TO TECHNION

A model of one of the four generators constructed by Babcock & Wilcox Canada for the Israel Electric Corporation has been donated to the Technion's mechanical engineering department by the Canadian company. The model, costing more than \$8,000, is made of brass, plastic and wood. The unit was displayed in the B&W Canada's Tel Aviv International Trade Fair exhibit last February and was then used by the Israel Electric Corporation.

TRI-CITY GET TOGETHER

Earlier this month, 30 teenagers from Brantford, Cambridge and Guelph attended a gathering at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Melvin Burg of Brantford's Congregation Beth David. The evening was arranged to discuss the possibility of forming a tri-city group for Jewish youth. Steven Taylor, director of youth activities for Congress Central Region, was also present. Entertainment was provided by folksinger Bat Sheva Paul.

STUDENT FREEDOM SEDER

Some 200 United Synagogue Day School students, grades 4-9, participated in a special Freedom Seder focussing on Soviet Jewry at Beth Tzedec Synagogue last Tuesday afternoon. As part of the program Eda Poretsky, a newcomer from Russia, spoke of her childhood there. There were readings from the special Hagaddah compiled by Rabbi Avraham Kauner, the school's Hebrew studies consultant, and a film *Moscow Doesn't Answer*, about attempted phone calls from Israel to a Jewish scientist in Moscow.

CHILDREN'S CONCERT

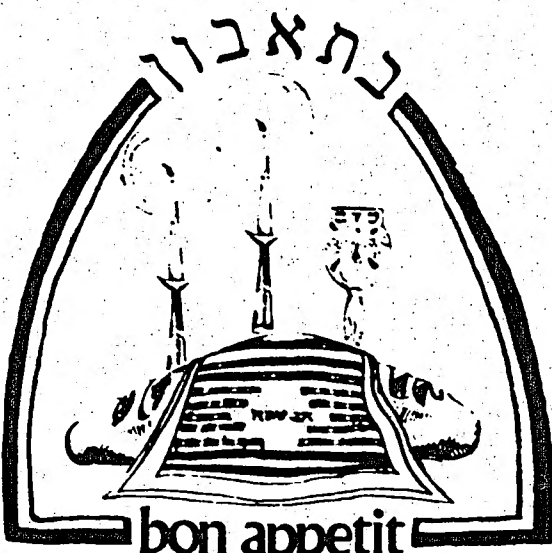
Proceeds from a special children's concert featuring The Travellers will be going to Youth Aliyah. The concert is being sponsored by Hanesse Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO on Sunday, March 30, at Seneca College's Minkler Auditorium. There will be two performances at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. For advance tickets call 494-4272 or purchase them at the door.

ABOUT JEWISH HOLIDAYS

On Sunday, March 30, at 8 p.m., Zhitlowsky Lodge of the New Fraternal Jewish Association is presenting Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive-director, Board of Jewish Education, in a talk on *History and Traditions of Jewish Holidays*. The meeting takes place at 120 Overbrook Place, Downsview.

Elegant dishes selected from Hilton's menu

Columnist visits new Jerusalem hotel



By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

The brand-new Jerusalem Hilton hotel was home to 365 delegates at the 41st Zionist Organization of Canada Convention, which was held in Israel recently. The towering marble structure with its lush inner decor of polished marble, Hebron glass, copper and enamel work and woven hangings, had scarcely opened its



Roger Cuinier, executive chef of the Jerusalem Hilton, prepares one of his very special concoctions.

doors to the public, when it had to prepare for the gargantuan task of making ready for Passover.

Under the supervision of Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren, the Hilton was preparing to make a very clean sweep indeed when I spoke to its Assistant Manager Jean Shmuel Severin.

"We are ordering a totally new stock of provisions. All the food in the storerooms will be changed — not merely sealed away. And no foreign liquor nor any grain-based liquor will be retained on the premises," he said.

In contrast with the profusion of rich, Mid-eastern colors and textures of the Hilton's decor, are the clinical practicality and sterility of the seemingly endless kitchens, divided into dairy, meat and pareve sections.

"Much of the actual kashering will be carried out by about 15 Yeshiva students," said Severin. "They will be doing it partly for payment but mostly for the mitzvah," he added with a smile. The students will replace all the working surfaces with wooden boards and replace the entire stock of china.

There was a communal Seder, complete with rabbi, cantor and children's choir, for the 350-400 guests expected for the holiday. In accordance with Jewish custom, inhabitants of Israel observe only one Seder night. Visitors had private Seders laid on for them for the second night.

The Pesach menus look as distinguished as those which ZOC delegates relished at convention banquets, but with a touch more traditionalism. I selected two dishes from the menus: one, a simple but very elegant main dish,

suitable for any time of the year, and a gala version of Pesachdik gefillte fish. Chef Roger Cuinier provided recipes sufficient for 10 portions.

I was also provided with a do-it-yourself chreina recipe.

Chreina addicts who will only eat the kind that causes watering eyes, panic and constipation among the unwary, may, if they wish, add more neat horseradish — but strictly at their own risk.

ROAST DUCKLING GALILEE

5 med.-size ducks
1 1/4 cups olives
giblets — wings, necks, etc.
1 tblsp. (or less) whole black peppers

4 carrots
2 onions
2 cloves
2 bayleaves
1 clove of garlic

1. rub the ducks with plenty of oil and roast at moderate heat for approx. 1 hr.
2. after the first 1/2 hr., add wings, necks etc., together with the carrots and onions cut into cubes. Add spices and other flavorings
3. while ducks are cooking, pit the olives and remove excess saltiness by just bringing them to a boil in a pot of water.
4. when birds are ready, remove from pan and keep hot. Drain off oil from pan and heat pan adding up to 1 cup of water or red wine, scraping the pan to incorporate sediments
5. reduce heat, then add the olives, and pour over the ducks. Serves 10

GALA GEFILLTE FISH

4-5 onions, sliced
and stewed
oil and vinegar
1/2 lb. carrots

3 carp
4 eggs
1/3 cup sugar
1 leek

white pepper and salt
2/3 cup peeled almonds
4 1/2 tblsp. matzo meal
black peppers, allspice and bayleaf
few sprigs parsley
1/4 cup kosher-le-Pesach gelatine

1. remove heads from carp. Clean without opening sides. Take out all the flesh through the neck opening, removing the bones. Reserve fish "pockets"
2. mix fish flesh with stewed onions, matzo meal, almonds, 2 hard-boiled eggs, 2 raw eggs, salt, white pepper and sugar to taste and a

little oil. Pass twice through a meat grinder. Fill the fish pockets with this stuffing

3. make a fish stock using fish bones, vinegar to taste, leek, carrots and parsley, allspice, black peppers and bayleaf. Strain the stock, when ready, through a fine sieve, and poach the fish pockets for 1 - 1 1/2 hrs. Add the gelatine and let cool

4. cut into finger-thick slices place on lettuce leaves and garnish with cooked carrot slices, hard-boiled eggs and fresh parsley sprigs. Add a spoonful of chreina on the side

CHREIN

2 cups cooked, finely grated beetroot
1/2 lb. grated horseradish
3/4 cup applesauce

1. mix very well and season with salt, pepper and vinegar

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Marilyn Medico

A gal with lots of show-biz experience, Marilyn Medico is going to be working on a production for the Saydie Bronfman Centre. The Montreal actress, at one time Quebec's only English-speaking host of a daily radio show called *JOB Line*, was in a U.S. theatrical touring company a few years ago. Now Mrs. Medico (she's the wife of The Canadian Jewish News Quebec bureau chief) is going to be assistant director to Danielle Sulista, well-known francophone director for the centre's production of *Charbonneau and Le Chef*.

Israeli track and field star Esther Shacamonorov Roth has decided to make another try at the Olympics. The diminutive athlete went into retirement in the aftermath of the tragedy of the Munich Olympics. But she returned to international competition last year, winning three gold medals in the Asian Games in Teheran. Presently in training in the U.S. in preparation for the Montreal Olympics, Mrs. Roth said in an interview in California that "...not to compete is to show we are afraid. Israel will try to do the best it can and continue to show the world it can and will compete."

At the annual meeting of the Jewish Historical Society of Western Canada held in Winnipeg recently, Dr. Moshe Wachs of that city was re-elected

president of the organization. The executive line-up also includes honorary president Sol Kamee, also of Winnipeg; vice-presidents Hy Balkan of Edmonton, Cyril Lesnoff of Vancouver, Norman Ratner of Regina, and Harry Gutkin who continues as museum chairman, and Myra Wolch who stays on as acquisitions chairman, both of Winnipeg.

It turns out that major league baseball player Moe Berg also played a major role in the atomic bomb race between the U.S. and Germany during World War II. As one of America's foremost atomic spies, the major league catcher established that Germany was two years behind the U.S. in the race. The story has come to light in a biography, *Moe Berg: Athlete, Scholar, Spy*, based on government documents which were classified secret for 30 years. Among papers found in Moe Berg's attic following his death three years ago, was a government report asking the War Department to bestow on him the Medal of Honor, the highest honor given civilians during wartime. The medal was awarded but Mr. Berg rejected it.

The only Jewish minister in post-war British Conservative governments is one of two Jews named to the Shadow Cabinet by the new Tory party leader, Sir Keith Joseph, 57, whose first ministerial post was in 1961, will have the overall responsibility for policy and research in economic and social affairs in Margaret Thatcher's new team. The other Jewish member is 44-year-old Sally Oppenheim who takes over as Opposition spokesman on prices and consumer affairs. Mrs. Oppenheim is the first (and so far only) Jewish woman Conservative MP.

Anatoly Galperin, a well-known mathematician and Jewish activist living in Moscow, has been named a full-time lecturer at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. His nomination, which was confirmed in a letter to him by university president Moshe Prywes, was sponsored by Dr. Ze'ev Waksman, also a lecturer in the mathematics department. Mr. Galperin applied for an exit visa three years ago and has since been dismissed from various jobs. His wife Tamar has been accused of conspiring to smuggle out of the country the diary of Edward Kuznetsov, husband of Sylvia Zalmanson.

'Hadassah-WIZO must assume the onus as free world shrinks'

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO —

Because the free world is shrinking, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO must assume more responsibilities, explained Mrs. Neri Bloomfield, the national president who recently returned from a trip to Israel where she met with WIZO women from across the world.

In Toronto for three days of meetings with the national executive, Mrs. Bloomfield told *The Canadian Jewish News* that when various nations such as some South American countries bring about new economic or political restrictions, then the work done by WIZO organizations in those lands must be picked up by others such as Canada.

The attractive and dynamic national president who, in 1955, became the youngest president of Montreal Hadassah-WIZO council and has since held every national position, culminating in the presidency in 1972, explained that the meeting in Israel underlined the fact that various economic and political upheavals in the world affect



Neri Bloomfield

all aspects of their world organization.

Because of the added responsibilities placed on the Canadian organization, Mrs. Bloomfield stressed the need to continually increase membership. However, having been born into what was Romania's leading Zionist family and having married into an equally active Canadian Zionist family (her husband, Bernard M. Bloomfield, is one of Canadian Jewry's most active leaders) she quickly pointed out that it is not enough just to get new members.

"We are not a club, we are a movement. You either believe in the aims

of Zionism, which is rooted in the liberation of the Jewish people who want to have country of their own, or you should not become a member," she said.

She noted that many of those present were young women who, by the age of 40, attain positions that used to be held by women in their 60s. (The active role played by younger people is present in Mrs. Bloomfield's home as well. Her daughter is very involved in Hadassah-WIZO in Montreal while her son's involvement in the New York Jewish community continues to grow).

Mrs. Bloomfield reported that Hadassah-WIZO will increase its efforts to assist the Acco development project (which attempts to bridge the social gap in Israel by aiding teenagers) so that Acco can, amongst other aspects of growth, double its residential facilities.

In addition, the national Youth Aliyah chairman, Mrs. Terry Rosenberg of Winnipeg, will lead a tour to Israel that will accompany the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, which is to perform at the Israel Festival in August.



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Conferring on the special events to be included on the Toronto Israel Bonds Women's Division tour of Israel leaving April 21 are (from left): Al Silverberg, Herb Green, campaign chairman; Mrs. Al Silverberg, Hadassa Rosenberg and Sarah Pachter. (Hausman)

World Jewish Bible Society founds chapter

By PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —

Dr. Chaim Gevaryahu, founder and chairman of both the Israel Society for Biblical Research and the World Jewish Bible Society, is a man with a vision — a vision of "am Torah b'libam" (a people with My Torah in their heart).

It was this vision that brought the outstanding Bible scholar from Philadelphia, where he is presently a visiting professor at Dropsie University, to Toronto. He was here to preside over the evolution of the T'nach Study Group of Congress into the founding Toronto Chapter of the World Jewish Bible Society. He also gave a public lecture at the Neptun branch of the Associated Hebrew Schools.

The visit to Toronto was an especially important one for the man who has been the driving force behind the leading Israeli cultural organization. Since 1949, when there were only three study groups in all Israel, Dr. Gevaryahu has presided over a phenomenal growth in membership. There are now over 25,000 Jews in

500 chapters in Israel and another 1,000 all over the world who follow the Society's program. But Canada, until Dr. Gevaryahu's visit, had none — a surprising situation in light of the fact that a Toronto student won last year's International Bible Quiz, one of the activities sponsored by the society.

Dr. Gevaryahu, a warm, friendly man with a smile that invites one to share his joy in his work, was obviously delighted that a Canadian chapter had at last been formed. He believes strongly that study of T'nach is "one means of survival for Jewish communities in the Diaspora."

It unites Jews in Israel with Jews all over the world, and it unites Jews of nearly all ideologies with one another. The approach of the society is open "but in accordance with the Jewish faith," Dr. Gevaryahu explained. "The Bible is a religious book. We study it as a national cultural heritage. Because it is a religious book, it will give us a religious background."

There is only one quali-

fication for membership: "Only lovers of Torah may participate." One of the hallmarks of the society, he continued, is its emphasis on lay participation and leadership. "It maintains a high scholarly standard," he explained, "but one an intelligent layman can understand."

Ever since a friend of Dr. Gevaryahu's — none other than then Israeli Prime Minister David Ben Gurion — asked to be a member some six years after the society was formed, it has become a tradition for Israeli public leaders, including the late President Zalman Shazar and President Ephraim Katzir, to hold regular study groups in their homes and to act as president of the society.

Dr. Gevaryahu is particularly excited by the opportunity to draw women to T'nach study. "The Lord has given much of the responsibility for Jewish survival to women," With pride, he pointed out that many group leaders are women.

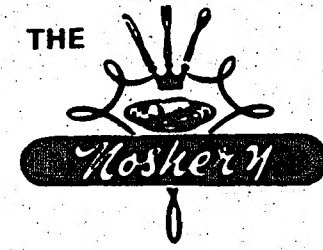
The audience for his lecture demonstrated the wide appeal of T'nach study. There were some 70

men and women, teenagers, married couples, white-haired and long-haired.

They heard a lecture on scholarly detective work — how facts about the lives of the prophets can be discovered from their writings and from comments made by scribes and copyists. Why, for example, do we have extensive

writings by Isaiah, Ezekiel, and Jeremiah, but only fragments of the other 12. Probably, according to Dr. Gevaryahu, because the first three founded schools of disciples who preserved their writings.

Membership in the society is open to chapters and to individuals, and includes a subscription *Le Dor*.



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'Opportunity to deepen our roots'

Bonds women plan Israel tour

TORONTO —

A special events tour of Israel, sponsored by the Women's Division of Toronto State of Israel Bonds, will be held from Monday, April 21 for two weeks. It was announced today by

Mrs. Joyce Green, tour chairman. Lead by Mrs. Hadassa Rosenberg, the tour is open to couples and to individual members of the Women's Division. Specially designed with Israel Study Mission wom-

en's interest in mind, the group will meet with Mrs. Ruth Dayan, founder of the Maskit, at Moshav Nahalal, visit with artists, musicians and poets in their homes, go to an absorption centre for new

immigrants and stay overnight with young Israelis at two different kibbutzim.

The Israel Bond Organization in Israel also has arranged exclusive visits and inspections of Bond-funded projects and face-to-face meetings with some of Israel's top government, military and political leaders. In these small informal sessions mission members will have an opportunity to engage in give-and-take questions and discussions.

Because of the skills and knowledge of the tour lecturer and guide, Mrs. Rosenberg, the Toronto group will be able to obtain unique insights and information on recent archaeological discoveries. Mrs. Rosenberg is associate professor of archaeology and ancient

history at the University of Toronto.

"With her as our own personal guide," Mrs. Green said, "we will have opportunities unfold for us in a way open to very few ... to see, to learn, to witness ancient cultures and history come alive, to deepen our own roots, to experience the warmth and welcome of the Israeli — we will be meeting in their own homes, on their kibbutzim, in their artists' studios ... to add new dimensions to our understanding by informal gatherings with top Israeli leaders."

Miss Barbara Cappe, director of the Women's Division of State of Israel Bonds, heads the tour and will maintain liaison with the Israel Bond Organization and government while in Israel.

ORT among groups asking Ontario match donations

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The Canadian ORT in co-operation with five major churches and other non-governmental agencies for international development in Canada, have requested that the Ontario provincial government "match dollar-for-dollar on a block-grant basis" all private donations made by the citizens of Ontario to their respective organizations for "socio-economic, self-help development programs in the Third World."

The brief, entitled *A Time to Stand Together*, was prepared by the Anglican, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic, and United Churches in consultation with ORT, (the only Jewish group involved), as well as such voluntary agencies as CUSO, CARE, OXFAM, and the Red Cross Society, and submitted to Premier William Davis last January.

Some \$9 million is raised annually in Ontario through individual donations.

If this amount is equalled by the Ontario government, these funds (\$18 million) would be eligible for matching grants from the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) which operates on behalf of the federal government.

Premier Davis was "warm and receptive to the idea," said Max Levy, executive director of Canadian ORT, and has agreed to a future meeting and the formation of an Ontario Council of International Agencies (OCIA) in which ORT will participate.

To speed up the bureaucratic process, a letter-writing campaign has been started. "We urge everyone who wants to help to write letters to the Premier and their member of parliament," said Max Levy.

Further recommended is that 10% of the matching grant be used for community-based development education programs within Ontario "to develop a broader awareness of realities of the Third World."

The international development agencies and churches have chosen to

make their presentations to the provincial governments "because many areas relating to international understanding and co-operation are best accomplished closer to the people themselves, namely, at the provincial level," although many of the central issues can be negotiated only between

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- April 6 Canadian Jewish Congress, Holocaust Remembrance Day, Annual Community Commemoration, at Beth Tzedec, 1700 Bathurst St. 8 p.m. Adath Israel Congregation, Yom Hashoah Services, at 37 Southbourne Ave. 8 p.m.
 - April 7 Canadian Jewish Congress T'nach Study Group, "Hosea, Chapters 13-14", Victor Sefton, lecturer, at 3630 Bathurst St. 8:15 p.m.
 - April 9 Shaarei Shomayim, Mizrahi and Canadian Jewish Congress, Meyer W. Gasner Memorial Lecture, "Jewish Survival", Rabbi Dr. Aharon Lichtenstein (Israel), guest lecturer, at 470 Glencairn Ave. 8:30 p.m.
 - April 11 Holy Blossom Temple, concert commemorating Yom Hashoah, "I Never Saw Another Butterfly", children's poems from the concentration camps, sung by St. Simon's Boys Choir, at 1950 Bathurst St. 8:25 p.m.
 - April 13 Beth Tzedec U.S.Y., Warsaw Ghetto Commemoration, at 1700 Bathurst St. 8:30 p.m.
 - April 15 Canadian Zionist Federation, Yom Haatzmaut Celebration, at Beth Tzedec, 1700 Bathurst St. 7:30 p.m.
 - April 18-20 Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations, "The Glowing Future of North American Judaism", Part I, on April 18th at 8:25 p.m., Part II, "What we can expect and what we can do", on April 19th at 8:30 p.m., at Holy Blossom, 1950 Bathurst St. "The Inquisition and the Marranos - New controversial discoveries" on April 20th, at 10:15 a.m. at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson. Rabbi Martin Cohen, guest lecturer.
 - April 21 Canadian Jewish Congress T'nach Study Group, "Yael, Chapter 1", Dr. I. Cass, lecturer, at 3630 Bathurst St. 8:15 p.m.
 - April 24 Hadassah-WIZO Org. of Toronto, Toronto Hadassah Choir with E. Goodman, Arkady Shindelman and Leo Barkin, at Seneca College, 1750 Finch Ave. West, 8:30 p.m.
 - April 27 Canadian Jewish Congress, Regional Conference on Jewish Education, Dr. A. Eisenberg (New York), Dr. Y. Shabbatay (Buffalo), and Rabbi I. Witte, speakers, at 161 Stirling Ave., Kitchener, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
 - April 27 Congregation Habonim, "Primal Therapy", Dr. Tom Verry, lecturer, movie illustration, at 12 Hollaman Rd. 2:30 p.m.

Theological seminary plans to honor Rabbis Schild and Pappenheim

NEW YORK —

Rabbi Erwin Schild, spiritual leader of Congregation Adath Israel and Rabbi Albert Pappenheim, spiritual leader of Congregation B'nai Israel Beth David, will both be honored by The Jewish Theological Seminary of America at a convocation to be held April 20 at Grossingers, New York.

The degree of Doctor of Divinity, *honoris causa*, will be conferred upon Rabbis Schild and Pappenheim by Dr. Gerson D. Cohen, seminary chancellor, at the special academic convocation which will open the 75th anniversary convention of the Rabbinical Assembly, international association of Conservative rabbis.

Rabbi Pappenheim has led Congregation B'nai Israel Beth David for the past 18 years. Ordained at Yeshiva Torah Chaim of Toronto, he has served as rabbi for 26 years at pulpits in Ontario and Lexington, Kentucky. He received his bachelors and M.A. degrees from the University of Toronto. The author of many articles on Jewish affairs, Rabbi Pappenheim also serves as the president of the Toronto Board of Rabbis. He and his wife Rhoda have a daughter, Irma.

For the length of his 27 year service in the rabbinate, Rabbi Schild has been the religious leader of Congregation Adath Israel. He received his religious instruction from Yeshiva Torah Chaim of Toronto. He was ordained in 1947. He holds academic degrees from the University of Toronto, University College, and the Graduate School, University of Toronto. He and his wife Laura have three children.

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Rabbi Erwin Schild



Rabbi Albert Pappenheim

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By JEFFREY LIPSITZ

The Central Region (Ontario) of Canadian Young Judaea runs Camps Shalom and Soleim in affiliation with the Zionist Organization of Canada and Hadassah-WIZO Organization of Canada.

Camp Shalom, for eight to 13-year-olds, is located in Gravenhurst and runs two four-week periods in July and August. The camp offers a varied program which includes water and land sports, camping, cultural events and a Maccabiah.

Camp Soleim offers waterfront activities and sports, camping, and a Maccabiah near Ottawa, among other programs, but is located near Sudbury, and its "touch of Israel in Ontario's north-land" is for youths 14 and 15 years of age, for a 6½-week season.

Canadian Young Judaea also runs a national leadership training institute at Camp Biliuim, which will be located for the first time this summer in the Laurentians of Quebec. The eight-week program there, for 16-year-olds, will include intensive education in Jewish and Zionist studies and leadership techniques in addition to the usual sports and waterfront.

According to Yitzhak Ratzin, director of Soleim, the three camps offer a family-type atmosphere where the campers themselves are involved in running the program. "A special relationship is established between the staff and the campers. The

counsellors know the members of the movement (Young Judaea) throughout the year, so the spirit and friendly relationship begin again after the summer, rather than this relationship ending at the end of the summer, as in other camps.

"The camp exists to serve our movement and not the other way around."

The members of the movement are committed to Zionism and are urged to visit Israel and to make Aliyah, as many of the members have already done.

Weekly Young Judaea programs are held at their "bayit" at 588 Melrose. In addition, there are fall and spring conventions and winter camps. There is also a one-year program in Israel for 25 university-age members; this includes seminars in Jerusalem, touring throughout the country, leadership seminars, Gadna (pre-military training).

During the summer, there is, other than Camps Shalom, Soleim and Biliuim, a Camp Biliuim in Israel program; 40 to 60 members, 17-18 years of age, tour the country and meet Israelis, live on kibbutzim and serve in Gadna.

For information on any of Young Judaea's widely-varying range of programs throughout the year and the summer, phone 781-5156.

Camp Ramah in Canada, in the Muskoka Region of Ontario, is a Hebrew-speaking camp for 300 boys and girls 10 to 16½ years of age who are involved in a program of Jewish studies during the year; its aim is to have campers experience "Judaism in practice."

The season will last for eight weeks beginning June 25. The camp is

kosher and Shabbat is observed.

The campers come from Quebec, Ontario and the United States, and most of the staff is also Canadian, American or Israeli.

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Dr. Walter Ackerman, dean of the School of Education at the Ben-Gurion University in Beer-sheba, will be the director of the camp this summer.

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Despite claims that Israel's army is far more politicized than people think, Prof. Edward B. Glick of Temple University tells a U of T audience the army does not pose a threat to the country's democratic form. (Steven Hershenshorn)

Army far more politicized than Israel would admit, American professor says

By Sheldon Kirshner
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO — The Israeli army, prior to the Yom Kippur War, was far more politicized than either the general public or its senior officers cared to admit, an American professor of political science told a disappointing sparse audience at the University of Toronto last week.

Edward B. Glick, of Temple University, elaborated on his thesis by disclosing the results of a survey he recently commissioned in Israel on whether army appointments are politically motivated. He revealed that 58.3% of the Israeli population is of the opinion that politics play a crucial role in the selection of high-ranking officers.

He warned, however, that in spite of its political orientation, the army does not pose a threat to Israel's firm commitment to maintaining a democratic form of government.

Glick, the author of *Between Israel and Death*, an analysis of the Israel defence forces published some six months ago, addressed himself to the subject of *Military Prestige and Politics in Israel*. His talk, sponsored by Student Mobilization for Israel, was attended by less than a dozen persons sitting in a big, spacious lecture hall.

Discussing the extent to which politics has seeped into the fabric of the army, Glick said that since the creation of Israel, all 10 chiefs of staffs had or were perceived to have, pro-Labor Party orientations. "It is no coincidence that others — such as Maj. Gen. Ariel Sharon — have been unable to become

chief of staff of the army," noted Glick.

He suggested that Gen. Sharon was bypassed for promotion because of his strong right wing political views. Gen. Sharon, who commanded the forces which crossed the Suez Canal in the latter stages of the Yom Kippur War, was also instrumental in moulding an anti-Labor coalition — Likud — on the eve of the October war.

Glick remarked that Gen. Sharon was the first senior army officer in Israeli history who disregarded the unspoken agreement that military men must refrain from expressing their political views in public. He said Gen. Sharon was a prime protagonist in the so-called "Generals' War" that erupted during and after the Yom Kippur War.

Speaking of the phenomenon in Israel whereby retired army officers "parachute into politics," Glick said the Israeli public is beginning to question this practice. For the first two decades of Israel's existence, high-ranking officers entered business or the diplomatic service upon their retirement, he said. A few returned to their kibbutzim. But in the wake of the Six Day War, an unprecedented number decided to become politically active after leaving the army.

Today, he added, several prominent ex-officers are well ensconced in Israel's political life. Among them are Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev and Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat.

"It was all legal, proper and democratic before 1967," said Glick. "But after 1973, it became a

little less proper."

He said Israel will have to confront this particular phenomenon sooner or later. But he conceded that he could offer no solutions, except to say that perhaps a period of several years should elapse before an officer enters politics.

Glick criticized the army for employing the same kind of euphemisms the Arab armies used after their crushing defeat in 1967. The Arabs called the Six Day War "a temporary setback"; the Israelis termed the Yom Kippur War "the blunder" or "the neglect."

He said that between 1967 and 1973, bloated overconfidence and selective perception led the army to assume the Arab nations could not unite or fight a sustained war in a manner befitting a decent army. He also chastised the General Staff for the outmoded strategic concepts they held. Glick told of the junior officer who pleaded with the head of army intelligence to heed his warnings that the Egyptians were ready to strike across the Suez Canal. As a result of stultified thinking, his admonishments were completely ignored.

Analyzing the results of the Yom Kippur War, Glick felt the prestige of the officer corps suffered devastating blows because of the mistakes made in the first few days. In spite of these setbacks, however, the army is still all but sanctified in Israel. Glick concluded.

Jewish high school enrolment in U.S. has increased vastly

NEW YORK —

Enrolment in U.S. Jewish high schools has increased 76% in the past 15 years to a record estimated 75,000 students, the American Association for Jewish Education reported this week.

The AAJE's findings, based on projections from a year-long national study of post-bar mitzvah Jewish education, indicate that high school students now represent about 20% of the total enrolment in American Jewish schools. This is nearly three times their proportion in the overall Jewish school population in 1958-59.

However, the study also reveals that the "critical elements" which determine the quality of Jewish education are "found wanting" in most supplementary high schools. Supplementary schools, which meet after public school hours and/or on Sunday, comprise more than 80% of the nation's Jewish high schools and have an estimated enrolment of nearly 60,000 students.

Robert H. Arnoff, of New York, president of the AAJE, said the findings "demonstrate an increased commitment by parents and youth to advanced Jewish study beyond a child's bar or bat mitzvah — a time generally considered to be the cut-off date in most youngsters' formal Jewish education."

"They also point up a complementary commitment by the Jewish community, both local and national, to provide maximal opportunities for such study," Arnoff said. "This is reflected in the fact that there are some 820 institutions — more than 30% of all Jewish schools in the United States — that either include classes at the high school level or are high schools in and of themselves."

Arnoff noted, however, that the study portrayed the typical supplementary high school as having a high incidence of minimal class meeting time, poorly trained teachers and administrators, and questionable curriculum.

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of students in supplementary high schools," he said. "This is particularly regrettable because the Jewish high school generally enrolls the more serious pupil, an adolescent who — given the intellectual stimulation he requires — can become imbued with lifelong ideals and convictions."

The AAJE, national co-ordinating agency for Jewish education in the United States, initiated the study in May 1973 under the supervision of Dr. Hillel Hochberg and Dr. Gerhard Lang of its Department of Statistical Research.

Dr. Hochberg, director of the AAJE Statistical Research Department, said that the portion of the study dealing with curriculum "reflected many supplementary schools' apparent attempts to attract students by introducing a large number of 'relevant' courses with intriguing titles, while reducing concomitantly the number of required content courses."

By example, he cited such courses as "Jewish Themes on the Movie Screen," "Judaism and Astrology" and "The Generation Gap — Jewish Style."

"Yet, despite this emphasis on relevancy," Dr.

Hochberg said, "a careful examination of the data revealed that, with few exceptions, schools conducting multiple-track programs generally had a larger enrollment in the more intensive program."

"Understandably, a minimum of instruction time requires the establishment of curricular priorities," he said, "but in view of the students' attraction to more intensive programming, the judgements exercised by many principals and school boards appeared questionable."

Dr. Hochberg said the study showed that "supplementary schools designated as 'large' (enrollments of 100 or more students) displayed across-the-board superiority over those designated as 'small' (enrollments of 49 or less) in the critical areas that were surveyed."

Dr. Hochberg said that Jewish communal agencies and local bureaus of Jewish education "should explore the possibility of encouraging mergers — even when these may entail crossing denominational lines among Orthodox, Conservative and Reform units — in order to pool resources and facilities and thereby provide students with a better and

more comprehensive Jewish education."

The study also showed day high school professional personnel to be generally better trained than their counterparts in supplementary schools. Dr. Hochberg said, "By example, he noted that 42% of the day high school teachers had a Jewish teacher's license, 39.9% a degree in Jewish education and 73.4% a degree in general education."

"It is understandable that day high schools would attract teachers with superior professional credentials," Dr. Hochberg said, "since they generally offer better career opportunities than the vast majority of supplementary schools."

"This is readily seen in the fact that the average day high school teacher teaches about 20 hours a week," he said, "while the supplementary high school teacher averages only two hours weekly in one-day-a-week schools and four hours weekly in the others."

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Attending the Conference were representatives

from various groups and organizations that are specifically interested in giving underprivileged youth in Israel the opportunity to learn trades and acquire skills that will make them useful and productive citizens of the Jewish State.

Bernard Morris of Montreal, National Director of the Israel Histadrut Campaign, reported that of the 37 Amal (Work) Schools existing in Israel at the present time, 17 have been built with the help of the Canadian Histadrut Campaign. He expressed his satisfaction that in a short time, The Canadian Friends of Amal have succeeded in gaining the

interest and active support of young people throughout Canada, who have formed committees to raise funds for scholarships that take disadvantaged Israeli youngsters between the ages of 14 and 18 off the streets and place them in vocational schools. Mr. Morris stated that the \$218,000 raised in Canada during the past year provided free tuition for about 900 youngsters in the Amal Vocational Schools.

Basketball Court and Grandstand for Kiryat Shemona

In speaking of the progress made in Toronto on behalf of the Amal program, Maurice Royman reported that three women's groups and two groups of young married couples have been newly organized for the specific purpose of supporting the Amal Scholarship Fund, and that \$90,000 had been raised in Toronto during the past year. He also reported that, with the general welfare of Israel's youth at heart, one of the young groups undertook to raise \$15,000 for a basketball court and grandstand in Kiryat Shemona.

Mrs. Faye Gold, Vice-President of the United Organizations for Histadrut Women's Council in Toronto, outlined the various ways whereby her organization raised substantial sums for Amal and pointed out the numerous possibilities that exist for such efforts.

On behalf of Canadian Friends of Amal, Mr. Boyman expressed sincere thanks to Mrs. Luba Kleinstein for the Joseph and Luba Kleinstein Amal Scholarship Foundation, which she and her husband established in Israel. In the discussion which followed the reports, constructive comments and recommendations were made by Mrs. Adele Wassermuhl of Montreal; Messrs. Joe Gottender

and David Franklin of Toronto, representing the young married groups; Mesdames Luba Kleinstein, Esther Mainemer and Helen Karney; Harry Mandelbaum, Gerry Grosinger, George Steinhouse and Jacob Egit.

In adopting a resolution to broaden the scope of Amal on a national scale, the Conference resolved to intensify its efforts in gaining the participation of young people, particularly those who are not involved in any communal work of other campaigns; to interest the children enrolled in Jewish parochial schools; to proclaim the month of June as "Amal Month" and to

publish a special brochure outlining the program and achievements of the Amal program in Israel.

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At a special reception for Canadians held during the recent Histadrut Foundation Conference that took place in Miami, Florida, Mr. Ben Freeman, well-known Toronto communal worker and leading member of the Hebrew Liberal Club, pledged \$25,000 for the establishment of an Amal Scholarship Foundation in memory of his late brother, Isadore Freeman.

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'Israeli women don't believe in women's lib'

By CYNTHIA RUBIN

MONTREAL — Israeli women don't go for the militant feminism of American women, says Israeli sociologist Dr. Rivka Bar-Yosef, head of the sociology department at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

She explained that this was not because Israeli women reject equality but have found their best defenders to be the old-time women's organizations, long in the forefront for greater opportunity for women, job equality, political equality and extensive day-care.

Dr. Bar-Yosef was speaking to students at Sir George Williams University here.

Dr. Bar-Yosef often finds herself in a dilemma when women's rights don't coincide with her political beliefs. A socialist, Dr. Bar-Yosef says "I'm a believer in equality in general."

Dr. Bar-Yosef discussed the problems of political women. Although Israel is one of the few countries to have had a female prime minister, political life remains dominated by men.

"Once you're in, you can get ahead like Golda did. The problem is penetrating the charmed circle. Two factors work against women."

"Political life with its all-night sessions, is structured according to male patterns. Women who have children, therefore,

put off their entry into political life until their children are grown, so most enter in their 40's, an unknown quantity even at the municipal level.

"It's too late to climb the political ladder," she added.

Another factor is the preponderance of military figures in political life. A general will be retired at the relatively young age of 45. He is well-known and has proven qualities of leadership and decision-making. An example is Yitzhak Rabin, who made the transition from retired army chief of staff to prime minister in a short time.

Dr. Bar-Yosef criticized the media for portraying Israeli women soldiers as Florence Nightingales during the 1973 War. Women were very frustrated in this war by their feelings of unimportance in the national effort.

Since then, there has been a re-examination of women's roles, and a greater desire to use their potential. Consequently, their service has been increased from 20 months to two years. New occupations are opening up to them. They are also serving in greater degree on the police force.

Civilian women, too, have won another demand. They are participating along with the men in the Home Guard, introduced last year following terrorist attacks on civilian population centres.

Holiday message to the Diaspora recalls exodus

TORONTO —

This message from more than 120 Jews in various towns and cities of Soviet Russia was received too late for insertion in the Passover edition of *The Canadian Jewish News*. It was brought to the CJN by Genya Intrator, national vice-president of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry.

The executive of the national committee is the policy setting body for all Soviet Jewry groups in Canada.

Following is the message: To the Jewish communities of the world:

The festival of Passover celebrates the exodus of our people from the slavery of Egyptian bondage. We earnestly beg you to remember those who are at present bearing aloft the torch of a thousand year old struggle for our people for freedom. Namely those who are fighting for the exodus of Russian Jewry, for our right to leave a country where we suffer humiliation and persecution. For our right to live with our people in our own land.

We hope that at the celebration of the Pesach Seder, every Jewish family will pronounce aloud the names of Mark Nash-

pitz and Boris Tsitlionok, who have for many years been forcibly separated from their families living in Israel and who on the 24th of February, 1975, took part in a peaceful demonstration in Moscow bearing slogans which are as real and as pressing today as they were 3,000 years ago *Let My People Go*.

This peaceful demonstration was broken up in less than one minute by officials of the KGB and Nashpitz and Tsitlionok were singled out for reprisals in the form of a show trial, in order to frighten and deter others.

We hope you will not remain indifferent to their fate. Their fate is now dependent entirely on your active support.



Dr. Rivka Bar-Yosef, head of the sociology department at Hebrew University, has been on a cross country tour of Canada. She discussed the problems of political women in Israel, at Sir George Williams University in Montreal. (Howard Kay)

Zionists celebrate Independence Day

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —

"It's a happening! That's the only way to describe it," enthused Ruth Leroy, who with Lou Garber, is co-chairing the mammoth Yom Haatzmaut (Israel Independence Day) celebration sponsored by the Canadian Zionist Federation at Beth Tzedec Synagogue on April 15th, the 27th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel.

Last year, this special event attracted some 5,000 people of all ages when services were held in Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue with festivities following at the Associated Hebrew Schools on Bathurst Street.

Now, it moves into larger quarters at Beth Tzedec in anticipation of even greater attendance. Evening religious services, Mincha and Maariv, will be conducted at the individual synagogues throughout Metro, and then the doors of Beth

Tzedec are to be thrown wide open for a giant celebration.

"There is no charge; the entire community is welcome," Mrs. Leroy explained. "Every corner of the building will be utilized to accommodate the tremendous variety of displays, and the crowds. There will be so much to see and do!"

It all begins at 8:30 p.m. with a one-hour rally in the sanctuary featuring speakers Shmuel Ovat, Consul-General of Israel, Rabbi J.B. Friedberg of Beth Tzedec, youth leader Andy Resnick, and M.P.P. Phil Givens, plus entertainment by Tashi and Yael. After that, it's "on with the fair," she said.

A wonderful, lively salute to Israel, it will offer dancing for everyone in the Main Hall to the music of Maurice Turek and his orchestra, with helpful direction in the folk steps by Teme Kernerman, said Mrs. Leroy. There will be exhibits, performances by community organizations,

crafts, posters, stamps, booths for Zionist youth groups, and tasty, tempting food — something for the mind, the heart, and the appetite.

Perhaps this seems an odd time to have a celebration. On the contrary, said Mrs. Leroy. Today, when Israel stands almost alone in a world of uncaring and hostile nations, it is the Jewish people scattered throughout that world, who must remember the day of her founding, who must encourage her tenuous striving, and who must rally, with enormous global spirit, that tiny land on the brink.

Givens sees a 'black cloud on horizon'

TORONTO —

If things are so good why do we feel so insecure? This question marked the theme of a meeting of the United Jewish Welfare Fund's Leadership Development Council last week. Reviewing anti-Semitism in Toronto from the early 30's to 1975, Phil Givens, MPP, and Ben Kayfetz, executive-director, Canadian Jewish Congress Central Region, agreed that the climate for Jews in Canada has improved enormously.

However, Givens said he sees "a black cloud looming on the horizon" with the Arab boycott, which he feels has more ominous implications for Jews than the oil crisis. "If the Arabs succeed with their full-scale boycott," he said, "they will have accomplished what even Hitler couldn't do. This we must fight and resist."

Givens and Kayfetz agreed that anti-discrimination legislation passed by provincial and federal governments has been a safeguard against overt anti-Semitism, but that the acid test would come in the event of a new depression.

Kayfetz recalled his early days as a teacher in the hinterlands of Ontario when Jewish teachers were "as rare as hen's teeth." His principal asked that he conceal his Jewish identity and pass himself off as "a Czech of all things." He added that

we have come a long way since then. "The Jewish academic is a whole new component in the population and is extremely visible in all disciplines."

The Western Guard is seen by Kayfetz as "more vicious and dangerous" than neo-Nazis. David Sanley and John Beattie who garnered much publicity in the 60's when the latter spewed his hate propaganda in Allan Garden's. Phil Givens was then mayor of Toronto and made the decision to deny Beattie a permit to continue to speak in a public park. This was viewed by some civil libertarians as a violation of free speech.

"It's true that Jews tend to be paranoid," Givens explained, "but I owed it to the people who came to my office with numbers tattooed on their arms, to ease their anxiety. They had suffered enough."

Givens told the 105 young professionals in attendance that throughout his public life he has stood by his credo that "you can't be a good Canadian without being a good Jew."

His strong Jewish identification throughout his political career has earned him his share of

hate literature, he said. "We've been fortunate that so far the anti-Semites here have been inept hacks. We've also been fortunate in the 100% co-operation we have received from the police and RCMP."

Both speakers said that although "anti-Semitism was unfashionable" they cautioned that even with legislation there are no guarantees. "If economic

conditions change, things could go against us and it could have a detrimental effect on the whole Jewish community."

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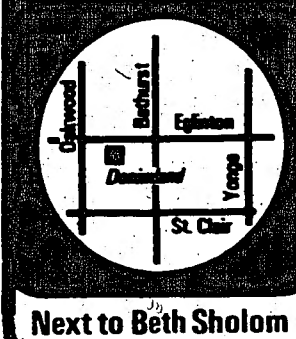
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Arts

Impressive style
from Mrs. Ovnat

art

By PAULA DAVID

The Galerie Heritage on Yorkville Avenue is currently showing an exhibition by Israeli artist Berta Ovnat. Entitled *My People...*, the collection reflects the artist's insight and wit in a charming portrayal of traditional aspects of Jewish living. The viewer is immediately caught up in a lighthearted, yet dignified interpretation of Jewish customs and traditions which evoke an emotional and sentimental response.

The largest segment of the show is a series of pen and ink drawings, which in my opinion are the life and strength of the collection. The compositions rely on a planar simplicity, and are executed in a caricature style that manages to capture the essence of dignity in Orthodox traditions. Ms. Ovnat uses lines very judiciously, and employs the medium beautifully to provide texture, shade and detail when necessary.

She has managed to select that which is sentimental and beautiful in Jewish tradition, and almost captures a memory on paper. The main theme is quite suitably *The Family*, and it is portrayed in all its ritualistic aspects. Ms. Ovnat's sense of humor and insight are seen in her knowing portrayal of the Jewish woman, and her position in the various drawings. She stands at one side with her daughters, seeing the men in the family off to Cheder. She is not even present in *Preparing for Sukkot*. She is supported by an army of fellow

women in the *Widow*, and she is right in the centre, upholding her husband and daughters in *The Family*. The solidarity of the family group in Jewish tradition is sensitively expressed in two drawings entitled *The Mourners*. Here the family flanks the entire composition, forming a wall of strong and quiet support, each person with an individual expression and character. These are the type of drawing, that everyone would find something to relate and respond to.

Ms. Ovnat's tapestries are well executed and extremely decorative. She uses a repetitive theme of icon-like masks, that have a human element by virtue of their various expressions. She works in sombre hues, with an occasional burst of bright color that highlights and brings life to the composition. The tapestries are hand-woven with embroidery and stitch work in them, but they lack the vitality and insight of the pen and ink drawings.

The third part of the collection is a series of monographs. These compositions seem to be the forerunners for the tapestries, but again it is the family theme that unites and strengthens them. The monographs are done in a style somewhere between Picasso and Chagall, and the originality of the drawings is lost in the process.

The pen and ink drawings are the largest and focal part of the collection. She is evolving an impressive and personal style, that should be seen to be appreciated. I recommend the collection to anyone interested in Judaica as well as fine art. As I left the Gallery feeling that Berta Ovnat's *People* were my people as well. The show will remain at the Galerie Heritage until the end of the month.



Arkady Shindelman



Erica Goodman

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TORONTO —

The Toronto Hadassah Choir with guest artists Erica Goodman, harpist, and Arkady Shindelman, violinist, presents its first public concert on Thursday, April 24 at Minkler Auditorium, Seneca College at 8:30 p.m.

The Toronto Hadassah Choir was first launched in 1961 under the direction of Ruth Cooper with 24 women who were fond of music and wanted to sing together. The group increased in numbers through the years and developed a repertoire of Yiddish, Hebrew, English and French songs. Esther Ghan Firestone became the director of the choir in 1964 and, in 1973, Varda Hall Berenstein took over the leadership.

Toronto-born Erica Goodman began her career as a harpist at the age of nine. While still in high school, Miss Goodman was harpist of the Toronto and CBC Symphonies. She made her debut as a soloist with the famed Philadelphia Orchestra while studying at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, and more recently, her Canadian debut with the National Arts Centre Orchestra in June, 1970.

Russian-born Arkady Shindelman, a highly regarded Soviet Jewish violinist, came to Canada in 1973. He was a child

prodigy and a graduate of the famed Stogarsky Academy of Odessa. After he left Russia he studied with Prof. Principe of the Santa Cecilia Academy in Rome. Arkady was invited to participate in the First International Competition for Violin in Naples held last November.

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Berta Ovnat poses in front of one of her tapestries on display at Galerie Heritage. Her exhibition entitled "My People..." runs until the end of this month.

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There were other unexpected hazards. "Going in and out so often I was careless about putting on my gloves and once absent-mindedly grabbed the handle of the door of the camper with my bare hands. My hand stuck to the metal handle and when I yanked my fingers away, I left skin behind and had an abrasion exactly like a burn."

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New York Jewish arts
found quantitatively low

music

By RICK KARDONNE

I was in New York last week on business. The overtone of economic depression is evident there, and the problem of the American economy is increasingly serious. But, in the streets, after 15 months of the low-key pragmatic administration of Mayor Abraham Beame, the uptight tension that characterized the late 60's is largely absent. Despite the usual white-collar shenanigans that all big-city administrations seem to have nowadays, on a people level, New York's first Jewish mayor, definitely is doing something right.

I'll talk about the general entertainment scene, and the Jewish participation in it, next week; now, I'll say a few words as to the "consciously-Jewish" scene in New York. It's there, all right, but on a quantitatively low level.

When one takes into account the fact that the Black and Jewish populations in New York are similar in size, but that the Blacks have three radio stations plus two theatre companies, plus a thriving well-exposed contemporary recording industry, we surely could be doing a lot more in New York. There is one Jewish radio station, WEVD, which plays about six hours of Jewish and Israeli music per day; the rest of the time being devoted to talk-interview programs (some excellent, some

boringly irrelevant to Jewish concerns). The lack of competition to WEVD is in itself unhealthy because only competition will guarantee audience-oriented excellence.

The two best concerts of Jewish interest in New York, which I unfortunately didn't see but promised to be truly thrilling events, included a recital at Hunter College starring Elly Stone, America's best "consciously Jewish" songstress; Shlomo Carlebach; the first-rate mime artists Moni and Mina Yakim; and the Israel-based Moshé Ariel modern dance ensemble, which rivals anything in New York for creative innovation. A week earlier, on March 13, Elly Stone and the Yakims teamed up with the great Black Jazz saxophonist Ornette Coleman for an epic concert at Carnegie Hall which was sold out.

Some of the other Jewish music events worth mentioning were a Chabad symphonic experience at Queens College on March 16; an oratorio based on the life and the teachings of the Baal Shem Tov, consisting of a concert program for a 70-piece symphony orchestra and a film; a gala cantorial concert in Borough Park on March 30 in which our own Cantor Louis Danto will be guest star; and an American Chassidic Song Festival awards concert based on the competitive style of the Israeli song festivals.

In the New York Orthodox centre, the Borough Park district of southwest Brooklyn, there are frequent concerts featuring Shernwood Goffin, Jo Anwar, and Shlomo Rabinowitz (Sarah Aviani's husband). Sarah Aviani herself performed at the

final benefit concert for Rabbi Meir Kahane before he was jailed for a year. But Jewish coffeehouse activity is, for the size of New York, sparse (I only noticed Israeli singer Zvi-ka Pik at El Avram in Greenwich Village; that was about it).

And Jewish theatre, Yiddish or otherwise, has temporarily petered out into almost nothing: the *Village Voice* ran a comprehensive and sympathetic cover story entitled "Kaddish for Yiddish Theatre" (despite the title, a cautiously optimistic analysis) and David Merrick's production of the brilliantly relevant English-language play *Dreyfus in Rehearsal* closed after a disappointingly short run.

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Your Tax Guide explains it in detail. Check Item 35.

Increased Personal Exemptions is another item that has changed from last year. All it means is that the Federal Government has increased your personal exemptions to coincide with the rise in the Consumer Price Index. The new personal exemptions are printed on your income tax form. Guide Item 41 tells you more about it.

Well, those are just some of the areas where it pays to follow your Tax Guide and, of course, there are others. The Federal Political Contribution Tax Credit is new as well. Guide Item 52H will tell you all about that one. This year, Family Allowance Payments are income and

have to be declared as such. Check Item 7.

Remember to check some of the other items listed in the Tax Guide which may entitle you to claim deductions, such as Child Care Expenses. Guide Item 33 tells you all about that one. And you may be entitled to deduct your Moving Expenses if you moved during 1974 to earn income in a new location in Canada. Check Item 34B carefully for the details.

And don't forget, if you have contributed to a Registered Retirement Savings Plan, be sure to include your receipt and deduct the allowable amount. Guide Item 29 explains it in detail.

Use your Tax Guide and fill in your tax form carefully, step by step. You'll find it's not as difficult as you think.

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More than 300 Canadians disembark from El Al Charter plane which brought them to Israel to attend the convention of the Zionist Organization of Canada.

Travel agent Emil Aufgang pays high tribute to Israeli officials for the success of travel arrangements. He is second from left on ground. (Jacob El-Baz photo)

ZOC meeting held in Jerusalem

Israel: a good place for conventions

By EMIL AUFANG

TORONTO — A precedent has been set. For the first time ever, the Zionist Organization of Canada held their convention in Israel rather than in a local Canadian city.

What a memorable experience it proved to be. I

am sure that everyone of the over 350 delegates were deeply impressed and moved by the addresses of eminent leaders such as Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Defense Minister Shimon Peres, Mayor Teddy Kollek, Leon Dulzin and Haim Herzog.

What better place than Jerusalem to discuss the future of a Zionist organization. Delegates had ample opportunities to see the progress and needs of the country through various organized tours and talks with Israelis in all walks of life. They returned to Canada with a better

understanding of the current situation and a new vigor and desire to achieve the goals of ZOC. I had the great pleasure of having been appointed agent for this convention, and I am happy to report that all travel arrangements, hotel and banquet facilities were faultless.

thanks to the utmost co-operation we received from El Al, the Israeli hotels and tour operator. I am well satisfied that the purpose of the trip was completely achieved. My ardent hope, and that of the many who worked so diligently for this convention is that

many other Canadian Jewish organizations will follow suit and realize that now more than ever Israel needs visitors and that conventions are wonderful and significant ways of bringing tourists to the country. Emil Aufgang is president of Aufgang Travel Bureau.

Kfar Syrkin has gone through several stages

By SOLLY MARCUS

Kfar Syrkin is probably the nearest village to Tel Aviv. It has gone through the stages of being a moshav shifuti, a moshav and now it is a plain moshava, a sleeping conglomerate of houses with 380 families enjoying no apparent collective history and certainly no collective present.

Each family is its own community and life seems to centre around building an extra room or absorbing a new piece of furniture. Parents age quickly while sweating for their children's future; the village has no real cultural life and its ecology is haphazard — here a nice garden, there an air-raid shelter unfinished through the contractor's bankruptcy. People are friendly, inquisitive and helpful and one could describe its main virtue as quiet and peaceful.

By some statistical magic, Kfar Syrkin lost none of its sons in October 1973 so there is no personal sadness, only attitudes and often platitudes — a regular army colonel's wife saying: "We must have two sons in case one should fall." I heard this often and then I became conscious of the large number of pregnant women.

Inflation, shortage of labor, all common subjects anywhere in the world seemed to have an even more depressing tone here. Paulo, the farmer, has stopped growing for export; he says he cannot trust the standards of his Arab workers as only the stupid ones come to agriculture and the more intelligent choose building.

But housing and land has its own special vocabulary and literature. One hears "why should the Goyim get housing before our own fighting

youth, they have not been persecuted," or "what about the villas built for rich American, South African and British Jews and occupied by them a few weeks in the year?"

Ein Hachoresh is a kibbutz of almost the same size as Kfar Syrkin. It is situated near Hadera and it won a national prize for its garden layout.

Members have TV's in their own homes and the kibbutz cultural centre and dining hall are tastefully decorated with the ceramics and paintings of its own artists. It is the kibbutz of Aba Kover, the writer and partisan leader. Its barrel factory had a gross turnover last year of \$1,500,000 and is

still expanding. A 1,000 dunam of cotton is a profitable export.

Like Kfar Syrkin, it miraculously lost no one in October 1973 but 100 of its young men were mobilized for long periods. What surprised the kibbutz was that its economy did not suffer. Although the soldiers worked on their leave and 40 volunteers filled in gaps, it was the older generation, working harder, who kept the wheels turning.

They are now discussing in kibbutz "are the older members under-employed in normal times; is full use being made of the working veteran generation — perhaps it is not good for the kibbutz nor

for the older generation, under-employment leads to boredom, withdrawal and inflexibility?"

Ein Hachoresh is very concerned about the loneliness and isolation of the elderly. "The women cope better than the men," said one member. They are now talking about training schemes for the older generation but it is hard to overcome fixed prejudices such as: "in education age does not matter but in agriculture it does."

One, Arieh, a former emissary in England, decided to fight the system: by profession a teacher of biology and physics, he maintained he was too old to teach and has been re-trained in

cotton-growing and is both successful and happy. Ein Hachoresh also has a small workshop making gifts which employs their handicapped and elderly retired members.

In education the kibbutz faces a crisis because parent pressure has changed the system from a progressive project method to class confrontation. This is the parental answer to outside competition and influence on their children. The kibbutz child in this sense is spoiled as there are no longer restrictions on higher studies or on subjects of study. Courses need not relate to the need of the kibbutz. It can thus come about that a son of

the kibbutz could become a traffic light engineer — although there are no traffic lights in kibbutz. This development has undoubtedly widened the cultural horizons of the kibbutz but is also creating manpower problems which are greater than those of lack of capital.

So life goes on meeting problems as if there were no dangers. Young men are cynical about reserve duties and critical of the machine which they say has not changed despite all the talk. Nevertheless they report for duty spick and span. The ongoing generation problem of the 1948 brigade is still there, and not listening to the 1973 brigade.

Landlubbers take sailing wheel

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The stern-wheeler "Tom Sawyer" also floats the bay area by day. Dinner-dance excursions depart at 7:30 p.m. and return at 10:30 p.m.

Other boat trips include the "Suncoaster" Bahia Beach run and the "Sunshine City" daily luncheon cruise. Both depart the municipal marina near The Pier.

If the roll of the waves is too conducive to wobbly sealegs, visitors can opt for the next best experience: a tour of the MGM "Bounty", moored at the pier entrance. The ship is a replica of the original craft and was used as the set for the second filming of "Mutiny on the Bounty".

Onshore is North Shore Park's softball field, where sports fans will find

a special treat. Softball never will seem quite the same after a look at the Kids and the Kubs battling for the championship. No player is younger than 75 years old, and the average of both teams is

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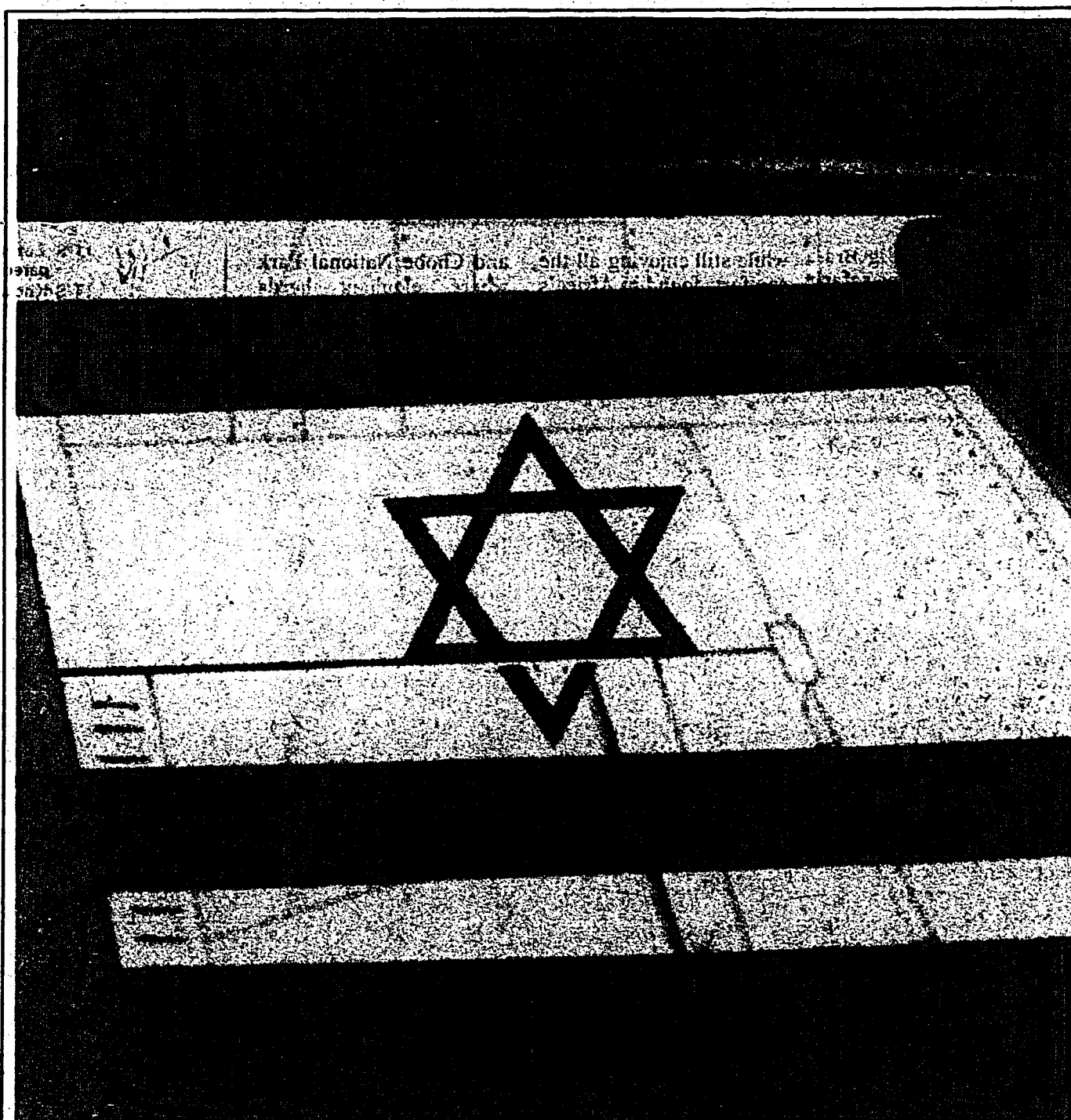
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Historic significance marks May festivals



Florida festivals in May assume an ethnic air, such as visitors experience during Spring Farm Day at the Tallahassee Junior Museum. Youngsters in old fashioned garb cuddle atop a split-rail fence while attending museum's Pioneer Farm.

Thrilling safari adventure is offered by 20-day tour

BOTSWANA — An opportunity to experience the excitement of photographing animals in their natural environment is offered in a fascinating 20-day Wing Safari over South West Africa and Botswana.

The special vacation package developed by Lindblad Travel in co-operation with Varig Brazilian Airlines takes safari members to the colorful resort city of Rio de Janeiro; in to South West Africa; Botswana, where man's existence on earth can be traced back half-a-million years; Victoria Falls in Rhodesia and to some of the most famous game reserves in Africa.

Highlights of the safari include countless opportunities to photograph wild game and bird life in their natural surroundings, thrilling flights in bush aircraft over rarely seen regions of the African Veldt, exciting Land Rover excursions among herds of zebra, buffalo and wildebeest, and a visit to the world's oldest desert.

With scheduled departures from New York every Friday night, the adventure begins with a Varig flight to Rio de Janeiro. During the brief stay in Brazil, the tour group travels to the top of Sugar Loaf for a panoramic view of the city, and Rio's beautiful harbor.

Leaving South America, the safari wings on to Johannesburg for a visit to Krugersdorp Game Reserve, home of some of Africa's rarest animals. The itinerary then takes the group to Windhoek,

capital of South West Africa, where they transfer to private aircraft for a flight to the ancient Namib Desert where 1000-year old "living" fossils grow in profusion.

At Etosha National Park, the world's largest game reserve, travelers can photograph animals in their natural habitats while still enjoying all the comforts found in Africa's first-class game viewing lodges. Camera fans will have an opportunity to snap the black-maned lion in his own domain or try their hand at night photography by the floodlit waterhole at Okaukuejo where animals come down to drink.

The real safari adventure begins in Botswana, strictly Land Rover coun-

try, accessible only via specialized transport and small aircraft. There are ample opportunities for aerial photography.

Offering some of the most impressive picture-taking moments are the Moremi Game Reserve, noted for wild dog, elephant, baboons, warthogs, lion and cheetah, and Chobe National Park where elephant herds bathe in the open flood plains and lions bask in the sun.

A tour of Victoria Falls, where the mighty Zambezi River cascades down 400 feet into a narrow chasm, is followed by tribal dances performed by the Shengene tribe and spiritual dances by the Mkhise in their woven-bark costumes.

TALLAHASSEE — The merry month of May unfolds with a slate of festivals full of fun and historic significance.

Florida's 151-year-old capital city, Tallahassee, reveals various facets of American culture and heritage with three major events in May's opening week.

An authentically reconstructed pioneer farm of the 1880s becomes completely operational during Spring Farm Day May 3 at Tallahassee Junior Museum. Bands will play, artists display, cows give milk, sheep get shorn, horses get shod and much more.

Miller's Landing Bluegrass Festival promises top area bluegrass bands and nationally known stars, May 2-4 at Wood-run, about eight miles east of the State Capitol building.

The thrills of the big top come alive at the Florida State University all-student Flying High Circus May 2-3 and 9-10. The professional-caliber acts include trapeze and tight-rope performances.

Fernandina Beach, founded by Spanish settlers in 1567, presents the Eight Flags Shrimp Boat Races May 2-4. The nation's second oldest city hosts some 30,000 persons annually for this extravagant battle of the big boats in a race on the Amelia River. Related activities include shows of arts, crafts and old bottles, a pirate invasion, a seafood dinner and blessing of the fleet.

Visitors to Sarasota May 3 will find creative sculptors on the beach for the

International Sandcastle Contest. Every contestant receives a commemorative scroll. Entries may include nearly any sand-sculpted subject, from mermaids to mushrooms.

The Sailfish Regatta in Stuart reverts May 3-4 for two days of exciting in-board hydroplane races. Mickey Mouse salutes elder citizens during Senior Citizens Days May 5-18 at Walt Disney World. The week culminates with a memorable Mother's Day celebration.

Walt Disney World also hosts students in their senior year of high school on Grad Night, an all-night party May 16-17.

Quayside Outdoor Art Show, May 9-11 in Pensacola, offers visitors an opportunity to view the works of more than 400 artists and craftsmen in a community that dates back to 1698. Myriad artworks create an extra special impression amidst Pensacola's historic buildings.

Cypress Gardens pays tribute to military personnel of the United States of America during Armed Forces Day May 17, with military demonstrations and displays.

The bicentennial era receives a special complement during Brevard Patriots Day May 18 in Titusville. Armed forces units stage a massive parade and a major drive to enlist young women and men. The Spring Arts Festival May 17-18 in Gainesville promises a full scope of entertainment, from ballet and song to arts and crafts.

An exciting flashback to the time of Spanish rule

occurs May 19-25 in Crestview, in Northwest Florida. The Spanish consul general is a special guest for the Old Spanish Trail Festival, which includes carnivals, softball tournaments, parades, fireworks, cookouts, treasure hunt and musical entertainment.

Miami's International Folk Festival May 25 - June 1 combines international atmosphere and festive entertainment, as the metropolis expresses its ethnic heritages that embrace Latin American, European, Oriental and Afro cultures.

Lovers of adventure may plunge merrily into the Billy Bowlegs Festival May 31 - June 8 at Fort Walton Beach. Captain Billy and his riotous crew besiege the city with fun-filled treasure hunts, street parades, sand sculpture contest, water ski show and art show.

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Woman rabbi faced many discouraging moments

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO — When a black mailman delivered a letter to Rabbi Sally Priesand, she had to spend several minutes convincing him that she truly was a rabbi. Before leaving he shrugged his shoulders and said to her, "I should think it would be as difficult for you to become a rabbi as for me to become leader of the Ku Klux Klan."

Rabbi Priesand, the first woman to be ordained

as a rabbi who preaches from the pulpit (there was a female rabbi in Germany but she was only allowed to work in an old age home and subsequently died in a concentration camp), related the incident with the postman along with numerous other humorous and discouraging moments that followed her decision to become a rabbi.

Speaking at Temple Emanu-El on **A Woman Rabbi: Her problems, her prerogatives, her principles**, she recalled the encouragement given to her by her parents after she announced to them, while in 10th grade, she had decided to become a rabbi. So too, she recalled the support given to her by the 35 classmates who were ordained with her in 1972 at Hebrew Union College, despite the fact that at first "they ignored me because they too, thought I had come for a husband." Nevertheless, when she was called to the pulpit at her ordination, all

her classmates spontaneously rose in a gesture of support for her. With a never failing sense of humor, she followed through a long list of trials and tribulations that, unlike her male counterparts, she had to endure while a student rabbi. There were congregations that did not know what to call her (someone suggested calling her "rebbitzin") and some that sought her presence because of the publicity angle while others totally

refused to meet her because she was a female. In one synagogue, when it was announced that the congregation was going to accept her as a student rabbi, the male president quit temporarily, while the female secretary quit for good. She also recalled an interview given by a rabbi in Israel concerning her decision to become a rabbi. He told the reporter that "there is nothing in Halacha against having her as a rabbi, we just don't need her."

Despite the fact that she has been happily serving as assistant rabbi at the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue in New York since her ordination, she still finds the most difficult aspect to be the publicity thrust upon her. Although she confessed she did not really think about being first (there are now 15 women studying for the rabbinate; one to be ordained this year and one, who along with her husband, has already been ordained by the Reconstructionist movement), the fact that she was first thrust upon her into the limelight. Amongst numerous requests for interviews and to speak, she has received many awards including being named Ohio's outstanding young woman of the year and one of the 10 outstanding young women of America, both in 1972.

Completely captivating the audience, the articulate rabbi explained what affect all this had on her. She stated how she continually realizes the importance for everyone to overcome various psychological handicaps and accept all people solely on the basis of their potential. She also feels that religious school education must stop reinforcing stereotypes that lead children to believe that "only little boys should learn how to build a sukkah and only little girls should learn how to bake challah."

In general, she feels girls should not be hampered in participating in the customs and ceremonies that they learn about in religious school. In addition, the entrance of boys and girls into the covenant of our religion should be comparable.

wedding ceremonies should stress the equality of the partners and the obligation to say kaddish should be binding on women too. Words in prayerbooks should be changed to read "people" instead of "men", "humanity" instead of "mankind" and "ancestors" instead of "fathers".

She summed up her role by stating that now little girls know that they can

grow up and be rabbis. But, she cautioned, that is not enough for change. "Unless women themselves take the initiative by becoming rabbis and sitting on synagogue boards, all the resolutions will not be enough, for change comes about only when those who are being discriminated against demand change," she said.

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Lincoln Place Nursing Home

Competitor can maintain kashruth

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Place and Vera Stevenson, current administrator.

"We had a very factual and unemotional discussion of the issues," said Martin. "I think optimism was expressed that an alternative solution could be found."

Martin made it clear that if the government acceded to Lincoln Place's request, then other nursing homes in the province would deluge the health ministry with similar requests. "It would cause considerable difficulty for the govern-

ment," Martin observed in a telephone interview.

He stressed that "the problem is now back with the Jewish community, and the matter is their responsibility..."

Grossman said in an interview that if the government had favored Lincoln Place's request, it may have created undesirable precedents and done "violence to nursing homes." Grossman remarked that higher costs would have had effect of discriminating against those patients unable to afford an extra \$2.75 per day.

"We struggled with this question and we agreed that there was no way you could make an exception," he said. "We are trying to find some way outside of government to keep kashruth."

"The people in the ministry of health are very anxious to find a solution, but it isn't easy. It's not just a matter of money."

It now appears that the community may have to subsidize kashruth at Lincoln Place. Tennenbaum told *The Canadian Jewish News* that \$120,000 per year would cover the cost of maintaining kashruth. He fully agreed with Rabbi Monson's idea that the United Jewish Welfare Fund or the Canadian Jewish Congress should maintain kashruth.

In a letter dated March 21 to Milton Harris, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region, Tennenbaum wrote "we are now forced with no alternative but to discontinue these facilities unless some means can be found to enable us to overcome our financial difficulties."

"Our only hope, therefore, appears to be the assistance of the Jewish community, before whom our principals would appreciate an opportunity to meet before yours, to discuss ideas and suggestions which may, hopefully, lead to the continued maintenance of (kashruth)."

"All our books and up to date records substantiating kashruth costs will, of course, be open for your inspection when a meeting can be arranged, and we look forward to your cooperation...at your earliest convenience."

Asked whether Lincoln Place has an obligation to the community to maintain kashruth, he said:

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Montrealer top student in medicine

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is totally at ease with himself.

"I'm happy with what I'm doing," he says. "Whatever I get is extra."

The second of four brothers, he is the son of Polish born parents who immigrated to Canada in 1948. His father, George, is a fur contractor, and the family moved to their present home in Chomedey from the "Main" area several years ago.

Pinkas describes his family as "close-knit" and "very open" with each other. "We are the

only family we have."

"When something good happens to one of us," Pinkas continues, "it is for all, if an outsider hurts one of us, the other five will fight back."

An average student in high school, Pinkas' marks shot sky-high when he entered medical school because he "was doing what interested me." He says he "studies the bare minimum" and writes his four theses a year, his four theses a year, required at Harvard, in front of the television set.

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YMHA group plans wings

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